

More mutual confidence in eighth Begin-Sadat summit Israel-Egypt ties move ahead; autonomy talks at slower pace

Katz, Ehrlich agree on pension-for-all plan

By SHELOMO MAOZ, Post Economic Reporter. Every Israeli breadwinner will soon have to join an approved pension scheme...



Egyptian President Anwar Sadat appears pensive as Prime Minister Menachem Begin turns to him during their joint press conference yesterday in Haifa.

Sadat-Begin press conference Agreement on oil, peace-keeping; but J'lem, autonomy unresolved

By ANAN SAFADI. SAIDAT and Begin made their declarations following the second round of talks held in two days at this port city. The Egyptian leader is scheduled to return home today after having extended an invitation to Begin for another summit...

Vance: No three-way summit planned now

By MALKA RABINOWITZ, Jerusalem Post Correspondent. WASHINGTON. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance yesterday denied a new three-way Mideast summit was in prospect...

Strauss to Mideast tomorrow to push new U.S. initiative

WASHINGTON (Reuters). Special Middle East envoy Robert Strauss will travel to Egypt and Israel tomorrow in a new attempt by the Carter administration to achieve progress towards a comprehensive Middle East settlement.

Heavy weapons quell Syrian unrest

BEIRUT (Reuters). About 2,000 troops have used heavy weapons to quell sectarian fighting in the Syrian port city of Latakia.

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The nursery contains a choice selection of plants imported from Holland, locally produced trees and saplings for home and garden...

By ARI RATH. HAIFA. — Israel and Egypt, gradually stepping up their mutual self-reliance, are moving forward — ahead of schedule — in the implementation of their peace treaty...

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat now appears confident that his peace initiative will prevail and that by steadfastly fostering the peace between Israel and Egypt, other Arab parties will join them to resolve other aspects of the Middle East conflict.

Israel, Egypt in joint Sinai observer posts

Jerusalem Post Reporter. HAIFA. — Israel and Egypt yesterday agreed to set up joint military observation posts in the various Sinai buffer zones until an agreement is reached with the U.S. on the establishment of a multi-national peace-keeping force.

Peres finds Sadat deeply moved by visit

Jerusalem Post Reporter. HAIFA. — President Anwar Sadat yesterday reiterated his belief that Jordan's King Hussein may before long join the peace process and that the trend in the Arab world would soon begin leaning towards a peace strategy.

Sadat gets out of car to greet people

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLEB, Jerusalem Post Reporter. HAIFA. — President Anwar Sadat met the people of Haifa yesterday as he got out of his car to personally greet some of the thousands of people who lined the streets waiting for his convoy.

Hussein slams U.S. aid to Israel 'aggressor'

HAVANA (AP). — King Hussein of Jordan said yesterday U.S. peace efforts in the Middle East are bound to fail so long as the U.S. continues to provide military, political and financial support to Israel.

Kibbutz children win Egyptian sailors' hearts

By MARY HIRSCHFELD, Jerusalem Post Reporter. SHA'AR HA'AMAKIM. — The children of kibbutz, waving Israeli and Egyptian flags, gave a warm and enthusiastic welcome yesterday to 150 Egyptian sailors who, after hearing about it for so long, were finally given the chance to see a kibbutz for themselves.

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Dayan to raise PLO issue in Bonn talks

By ASHER WALLFISHER
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The last time Dayan visited Bonn, he blamed the European Economic Community for what he called "maddening in Israel's vital interests..."



Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat admire the panoramic view of the Haifa bay from the Dan Carmel Hotel.

Egypt to lift ban on Israeli Arabs

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat said yesterday that he will instruct his government to lift the ban on visits of Israeli Arabs to Egypt...

announcement at a meeting last night with a group of Arab leaders representing Christians, Druse, and Moslems in Haifa and the North.

AGREEMENT ON OIL

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"We have decided to take matters into our own hands," Sadat told newsmen, while stressing: "The Soviets will never stop the peace process..."

great leap would be achieved by then if an agreement is not finalized. Sadat said that he remains optimistic with regard to settling all outstanding conflicts...

Dayan in 'about 8' meetings with Arab Arabs since March

By IAN BLACK
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan has had about eight meetings with Arab leaders in the administered territories since the signing of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty...

Haidar Abdel-Shafi of Gaza, the Defence Ministry yesterday denied reports that the foreign minister had asked the IDF to arrange more meetings for him.

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Ben-Gurion University President Yosef Tokoh, from New York.

UN group calls for Israel-PLO talks

GENEVA (AP). — A UN human rights sub-group yesterday called for an immediate start to peace talks between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

One slightly injured by small Plem bomb

Jerusalem Post Reporter
A teenager from the Armenian quarter in Jerusalem's Old City was slightly injured by a bomb explosion at the Jerusalem municipal swimming pool.

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Kfar Shalem residents get free 200-metre bus rides

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Kfar Shalem residents will be given transportation free of charge from the former terminal of the No. 16 bus route...

Fallen of Red Army's Lithuanian brigade buried on Mount of Olives

The ashes of thousands of Jewish members of the Red Army's Lithuanian brigade were buried yesterday in a simple military ceremony on Jerusalem's Mount of Olives.

Israel's debt swollen to \$13,413m. by April

Post Economic Reporter
Israel's debts rose by \$842m. in the first four months of this year, to stand at \$13,413m., according to figures released yesterday by the Bank of Israel.

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Receipts from the sale of State of Israel Bonds dropped in this period, to total \$74m. as compared to \$86m. in the corresponding period last year.

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But income from tourism went from \$188m. to \$244m., with the average income from each tourist reaching \$675 as compared with \$543 in the same period last year.

Little interest in territories over happenings in Haifa

By IAN BLACK
Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Haifa summit meeting between Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Prime Minister Menachem Begin has provoked little public interest in the administered territories...

Katamon girl said shot by drunk father

By BENNY MORRIS
Jerusalem Post Reporter
A father shot and seriously wounded his daughter in Jerusalem last night, following a drinking session in the family living room, the police spokesman said.

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'Colour TV not before late 1982'

By ABLOMO MAGE
Post Economic Reporter
The full operation of colour television in Israel should be held off until the second half of 1982, but its introduction should not be halted, senior Treasury men agreed yesterday at a meeting with Finance Minister Ehrlich.

It is quite natural that there should be colour television broadcasting in Israel, said Ehrlich. But, on the other hand, the economy must not be damaged.

Treasury Director-General Amiram Sivan said colour broadcasts must be introduced gradually so that colour sets are bought only as people replace their old sets, or as newly established families buy their first sets.

Some Treasury men suggested raising taxes on colour sets, but the State Revenue head Uziel Lynn rejected the suggestion as unlikely to put a brake on the acquisition of sets, and likely to increase the temptation to smugglers.

'Voice of Hope' sets initial broadcasts

Jerusalem Post Reporter
South Lebanon Christian militia sources yesterday announced that the enclave's new radio station, the "Voice of Hope," will begin broadcasting next Monday at a frequency of 153.5.

The station is being set up by some 30 American technicians. Station managers promised that they will open with a new song, "The Good Fence," written especially for the station by American country singer Pat Boone.

Bromine fumes fell 21 in Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A bottle of bromine exploded yesterday at a Tel Aviv Egged parcel terminal, injuring 21 people. All were treated at Ichilov Hospital for inhalation of the poisonous fumes and released.

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Beduin village fetes Jehan and Aliza

By JOAN BORSTEN Jerusalem Post Reporter HAIFA — The Beduin of Bosmat Tivon yesterday welcomed Egypt's First Lady, Jehan Sadat in the finest tradition of Arab hospitality.

mothers, wear trousers and make-up. Many village males serve in the security forces and the merchant marine. The houses are large and well-cared for, the streets are wide and paved, and there is a full network of functioning community services.



Jehan Sadat chuckles a delighted little Beduin girl under the chin during her visit to Bosmat Tivon yesterday. (Zoom 77, Hershkovitz)

MK Seidel sued for elections loan

By YOHAM BAR Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — The Liberal Workers Union is suing MK Hillel Seidel for IL500,000, claiming this sum was given to him as a loan for publicity during the Histadrut election campaign.

In the civil suit filed with the Tel Aviv District Court this week, National Liberal works committee chairman Zvi Renner claims that Seidel promised to return the loan immediately after the elections in June 1977.

Renner says he sent Seidel a letter asking for the money. "You are known as honest and decent. We're sure you won't deny this business and we ask you to return half a million pounds to the union because the Histadrut controller has questioned us about this loan," Renner wrote.

Iran deports another foreign correspondent

TEHERAN (Reuters). — The Tehran correspondent of the London-based magazine "The Middle East," Terry Povey, has been ordered to leave the country within a week for alleged false reporting, the official Parsi news agency said yesterday.

He was the 14th newsman ordered out since the February revolution and the fifth in two days. The Associated Press bureau in Tehran was closed down on Tuesday and the four staff correspondents of the U.S. agency left the country yesterday.

Sadat's daughter shops for shoes successfully



President Anwar Sadat's 18-year-old married daughter Jehan gestures during a dinner conversation at the state banquet hosted in Haifa on Tuesday night by President Yitzhak Navon.

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter HAIFA. — President Anwar Sadat's three daughters will be taking small steps for peace — in Israel-made shoes — obtained here yesterday by his daughter Jehan.

The young woman literally stopped traffic on Haifa's main thoroughfare, Rehov Herzl, when she went on a morning shopping expedition for the shoes at the fashionable Soriano shoe store, in the centre of Hadar HaEzraim.

Sadat's 18-year-old daughter, who is married to a 25-year-old architect, took her time inside searching exactly for what she was seeking, finally settling on three pairs of high-heeled sandals — one pair for herself and one for her two sisters.

her the shoes she had chosen as a gift, but Jehan declined. They finally settled for \$100 for two pairs with the third as a personal gift to mark her visit to the store.

She asked to carry on shopping, for books and children's things, she said. But the escort decided that the crush would become unmanageable and returned her to the hotel.

Earlier she visited Daliat el-Carmel, the country's largest Druse village, where she was received in the home of Amal Nasser Edin, the Druse Likud MK. Several Druse women joined them and after greetings were exchanged and sweetmeats served, she took a stroll around the bazaar along the main village street.

C'tee to rule on tax hike Medium-sized cars may become dearer

By SHLOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter

The price of medium-sized cars will go up between IL30,000-IL40,000 if Transport Minister Haim Landau's proposal to raise purchase taxes on those cars is accepted today.

Landau's proposal is due to come up at a meeting of the Ministerial Economic Committee in Tel Aviv. If the committee approves the proposal, the finance minister must sign an administrative order before the taxes are actually raised.

The tax on medium-sized cars with an engine capacity of between 1,300 cc and 1,800 cc will be raised by 20 per cent, making them 10 per cent dearer.

larger cars have not yet gone into effect because officials want to see if the proposal to raise taxes on medium-sized cars would go through, then all taxes could be raised on the same day.

Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i supports Landau's proposal to raise taxes. But it is not certain that other members of the committee will follow suit — especially since raising taxes on small-to-medium-sized cars will give more of a boost to inflation than higher taxes on more expensive cars which fewer people buy.

The Treasury, it was learned, is also not that keen to raise purchase taxes on cars. The Treasury argues that taxes on cars are already so high that a further rise will bring about no appreciable savings in foreign currency. Higher taxes would also mean lower sales and a commensurate drop in Treasury revenue.

Ehrlich pledges assistance to Jordan Rift settlements

By SHLOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter

Jordan Rift settlers yesterday wrung from Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich a promise that he would aid them to the tune of IL200m. in an effort to prevent the settlements collapsing. Ehrlich also promised to discuss a re-orientation of loans granted them to a total of IL130m. which they are now having difficulty in repaying.

Also joining yesterday's meeting were Shimon Ravid, head of the Jewish Agency's Settlement Department, and Uri Yaffe, mayor of Beit She'an.

If government aid is not immediately forthcoming, Haim Hagedud, a leader of Netiv Hagedud, told The Jerusalem Post after the meeting, the settlements will fall apart and their members will leave. He complained that the various purchasing organizations are no longer prepared to grant the settlements further credit.

settlement's life in order to get its economy established. But the settlers pointed a caustic finger at the endless delays in transferring development loans to them, and the attendant difficulties in raising and financing interim funding.

The settlers were also hard hit last year when the bottom dropped out of the flower market. "Economic profitability isn't the only issue in our case," said Pasternak. "Our settlements have other aims."

Jordan Rift settlers have reportedly rejected Interior Minister Josef Burg's proposal that a regional council be established. They say the area that would fall within its control is too small and too scattered.

Israel Egyptologist to French meet

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH Jerusalem Post Reporter

One of Israel's foremost Egyptologists, Dr. Trude Dotan of the Hebrew University, left yesterday for Grenoble, France to deliver a lecture at the second International Congress of Egyptology.

Dotan was invited by the French organizers to attend the first congress in Cairo two years ago. This, however, was a few months before President Anwar Sadat's visit to Jerusalem and Dotan felt obliged to decline the invitation. Some of Egypt's foremost scholars are expected to attend the congress.

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Apart from Holon, MDA stations have already closed in Beersheba and Binyamina. Eight other stations have announced that they are on the verge of shutting down. At Ashdod, the management announced that the station will close next Monday if no aid is forthcoming by then. The other stations in a critical situation are in Tel Aviv, Haifa, Netanya, Rehovot, Tiberias, Dimona and Afula.

One MDA official yesterday told The Post that the whole organization was "falling apart" before the very eyes of the Health Ministry and they are content to see this happen without doing anything. He said that hundreds of thousands of people are already without emergency services. "It will take a tragedy to wake Shoestak up, and that tragedy could happen any day," the officials said.

Technion impresses Egyptian editors

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Technion's research potential yesterday impressed "Al-Ahram" editor Ali Hamdi El-Gamal and the editors of four other large Egyptian newspapers.

The five editors spent two hours at the Technion. First they heard a review of the institute's activities from President Amos Horev and then visited the computer centre and the food engineering faculty, where they inspected the packaging laboratory.

Speaking for the guests, El-Gamal said they had been deeply impressed by the high level of research and science, and the way was open for exchange in these areas between the two countries. He was sure that

Egyptian editors

the Technion would be able to play a considerable role in these exchanges, to the mutual benefit of both sides, specifically in desertland reclamation as well as other problems.

Later, the Egyptian Defense Minister, Hassan Kamel Ali, was the luncheon guest of Horev. He was accompanied by Defense Minister Ezer Weizman, Chief of Staff Hafeel Eitan, his deputy, the head of Army Intelligence, the O.C. Navy and the two Egyptian admirals who are with President Sadat's flotilla in Haifa port.

Horev described the Technion's activities for them; they then inspected the control and structures laboratories in the aeronautical engineering faculty.

High school teachers threaten sanctions

By ALAN ELSNER Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Secondary School Teachers' Union yesterday followed their primary school colleagues by threatening militant action next month if a 90 per cent pay claim is not met. The government is offering the teachers a pay rise of 0.8 per cent.

In a press conference yesterday, union chairman Binyamin Yeller echoed the complaints sounded the previous day by Shalom Levin of the Histadrut Teachers' Union. He demanded that the Treasury immediately make available statistical information to the Etzioni commission, presently looking into the status and working conditions of teachers. He accused the Treasury of a "deliberate and illegal cover-up" to prevent teachers receiving the pay increase they are entitled to.

Yaron beefs about Ro'eh's beef report

By ALAN ELSNER Jerusalem Post Reporter

Broadcasting Authority chairman Reuven Yaron and "Almost Midnight" news host Yitzhak Ro'eh have clashed again about what is "proper" to say during a news broadcast.

Yaron, addressing the Israel Public Relations Association convention on Tuesday, criticized Ro'eh for making what he called an "unwarranted" comment during the late news the night before. After announcing a hike in frozen beef prices, Ro'eh said: "The price increase is explained, if it helps morale, by the increase in costs and the change in the exchange rate."

Asked later to comment, Ro'eh said that Yaron's criticism indicated the chairman's intent to obliterate "basic humour from the human tongue." He was shocked that the chairman had decided to attack one of the Authority's employees in public without asking for his side in the matter.

Last May, Authority director-general Yosef Lapid threatened to remove Ro'eh from the news show because he didn't ask for authorization to broadcast two items dealing with the Authority.

K. Shmona MDA station may close 'any day'

By ALAN ELSNER Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Magen David Adom station in Kiryat Shmona may be forced to close down any day. Mayor Avraham Alony told The Jerusalem Post earlier this week.

Alony, who is also chairman of the station's management board, said that besides serving Kiryat Shmona, which has no hospital, the station also covers the Golan Heights, Upper Galilee and Southern Lebanon.

his replacement, if there is one. Three weeks ago, Ellenewig assumed personal responsibility for keeping the MDA Holon branch open, but never met anyone connected with the branch before leaving the country. The Holon branch shut down on Sunday.

The Kiryat Shmona station has already stopped using three of its eight ambulances in an effort to cut costs. Even so, it has accumulated debts over IL1m., while IL75,000 is owed the local petrol station for fuel. "Our petrol bill averages IL25 a month," station manager Shmuel Moyal said. "We haven't paid for the last three months, and the petrol station has said that it cannot extend our credit any longer. We are literally begging them to give us fuel to keep the ambulances going."

Alony said that his appeals to the Health Ministry to keep the station open had fallen on deaf ears. "They told me to apply to MDA head-

JERUSALEM POST POLL Public favours IDF service by all religious youth

By MARK SEGAL Post Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — An overwhelming majority of the nation favours calling up yeshiva students and religious girls for army service, according to the results of a poll conducted for The Jerusalem Post by the Mod'In Ezrachi applied research centre.

A representative sample of nearly 1,300 adults were asked: "Should religious girls and yeshiva students be obliged to serve in the IDF?" The replies were: Yes — 78.3 per cent; no — 18 per cent; other answers — 1.4 per cent; undecided — 1.3 per cent.

Centre directors Mina Zemach and Miriam Yarkoni found little difference between the opinions of men, of whom 78.4 per cent favoured call-up, and women (77.5 per cent replied yes) on the issue.

Not unexpectedly, only 88.2 per cent of the religious segment of the population favoured mobilization of yeshiva students and religious girls, but 89 per cent of those declaring themselves traditionally minded favoured IDF service. The secular population was almost unanimous, with 91.4 per cent calling for religious youth to serve in the IDF.

The opinion pattern according to political affinities produced few surprises:

Table with 2 columns: Party and Support for callup. Parties include Likud, Labour, NRP, Aguda. Support percentages range from 76.9% to 2.3%.

Regionally, 78.3 per cent of Jerusalemites favour call-up. The segment calling for military service was 79.7 per cent in Greater Tel Aviv and the central region, and 80.7 per cent in Haifa and the North. The demand for service was lowest in Beersheba and the South, at 59.7 per cent.

Advertisement for Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America. Includes text about Hadassah Medical Organization and a congratulatory message to President and Mrs. ANWAR SADAT.

Advertisement for Milal Hapays lottery. Total prize fund IL11,732,000, first prize IL2,000,000.

Soviet Jewish general — Nazism like Zionism

MOSCOW (Reuters). — A Jewish Soviet army general yesterday said Nazism and Zionism were similar racist creeds responsible for the deaths of six million Jews in the period leading up to and during World War II.

Tank force Colonel-General David Dragunsky, writing in the Soviet Communist Party newspaper "Pravda," said Zionist circles had cooperated with Adolf Hitler and Italian fascist ruler Benito Mussolini, and had dreamed of having similar leaders themselves.

Dragunsky, often officially cited as an example of the high position that Jews can achieve in Soviet society, was reviewing a novel about to appear in Moscow about Zionism on the eve of World War II.

The novel, "The Curtain Is Up," by Yuri Kolesnikov, "reflects the backstage dealings between various official bodies of Hitlerite Germany and international Zionism in that complicated international situation," writes Dragunsky.

Kolesnikov, Dragunsky added, "completely unmask the anti-national essence of international Zionism which served the cause of imperialism from the moment of its birth."

CHOLERA. — Eight cholera cases have so far been confirmed in the Jordan Valley, Health Minister Abdel-Rauf Al-Rawabdeh of Jordan said yesterday. Some of the cases reached Jordan from neighbouring Arab countries, the minister said without identifying the states concerned.



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# Mountbatten buried as he wanted to be

By ROBERT MUSEL  
LONDON (UPI). — Earl Mountbatten of Burma, who came unscathed through battles on land and sea only to die by an IRA bomb, was buried yesterday as he wanted to be — with flags flying, bands playing, and London filled with the spectacular pageantry that no other country does better.

He did not see it as a sad occasion when he recorded a spoken obituary two years ago that summarized one of the most remarkable lives of our times — a dazzling war hero at sea, supreme allied commander in Southeast Asia in World War II, the last viceroy of India and enough more for a dozen adventure novels.

And in a curious way it wasn't sad, though his children and grandchildren were moist-eyed at the funeral services in Westminster Abbey and his cousin and nephew, Queen Elizabeth and her husband Prince Philip, looked as unhappy as anyone has ever seen them appear in public.

One reason was that most of the many thousands lining the route from St. James's Palace, where the coffin rested overnight, to the ancient abbey knew that Lord Louis was unafraid of death and that he had meticulously planned this very funeral years ago.

On the theory that people who would plant a bomb in the holiday motorboat of a 78-year-old man — as the IRA boasted it did in Mountbatten's at Mullaghmore, off the Irish coast, 10 days ago — would stop at nothing, Scotland Yard turned the centre of London into an armed camp.

Some 4,000 police, armed detectives and terrorist specialists searched sewers, parked cars and buildings overlooking the funeral route and sharpshooters on rooftops scanned the scene with binoculars.

In mid-morning of a lovely September day, hundreds of tall guardsmen, in crimson jackets and bearskin hats, lined the streets. A blare of trumpets, a roll of drums, and the coffin was carried from the old redbrick palace of King Henry

VIII and placed on a naval gun carriage.

Covered with a flag, the coffin was topped by the cocked hat Mountbatten wore as admiral of the fleet, his sword and the gold stick symbol of his ceremonial role as a protector of the queen. Sailors, 122 of them in flawless formation, drew the carriage, along. Behind walked Prince Philip, Prince Charles, heir to the throne, the Duke of Gloucester, the Duke of Kent and Prince Michael of Kent.

The route blazed with uniforms. But there were civilians too, survivors of the destroyer Kelly, which went down, guns blazing, off Crete with Mountbatten on the bridge till the end.

Queen Elizabeth with the rest of the royal family waited at the abbey with 1,400 other invited celebrities, including the greatest assemblage of royalty since the funeral of King George VI in 1952. Among them were King Olaf of Norway, King Carl Gustav and Queen Silvia of Sweden, Prince Rainier and Princess Grace of Monaco, Crown Princess Beatrix of the Netherlands, Grand Duke Jean and Grand Duchess Charlotte of Luxembourg.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher led the British government and Prime Minister Jack Lynch of Ireland was also present. He is in Britain to discuss with Thatcher the turbulence in Northern Ireland, as a direct consequence of Mountbatten's assassination.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Donald Coggan, head of the Church of England, conducted the ceremony. Cardinal Basil Hume, leader of Britain's Roman Catholics, offered a prayer for peace.

But the most dramatic moment came when Prince Charles, who idolized "Uncle Dickie," read the lesson from the 107th Psalm beginning "They that go down to the sea in ships," his voice firm, but his face clearly reflecting his sorrow.

Interment was at Romsey Abbey, near Mountbatten's home, Broadlands, after a private service in a spot he had chosen.



A solemn British royal family stands near the casket of IRA-slain family member Lord Mountbatten, during yesterday's funeral at Westminster Abbey. (UPI telephoto)

# Arafat tells Havana meeting to kick Egypt out of bloc

HAVANA (Reuters). — Palestine Liberation Organisation leader Yasser Arafat yesterday implicitly called for the suspension or expulsion of Egypt from the Non-Aligned Movement, which is holding its sixth summit here.

Speaking as Egyptian President Anwar Sadat visited Israel, Arafat called on the summit to isolate Egypt.

Without mentioning suspension or expulsion directly, he said the Camp David peace treaty was a new military pact directed against the people of the Middle East, a fresh pact of aggression organized by the U.S. and a violation of resolutions adopted by the Non-Aligned Movement.

"The time has come," he told the assembled kings, presidents and prime ministers, "for the resolutions adopted by the Non-Aligned Movement to be translated into practice.

"The time has come for the Israeli aggressor, for those who stand at its side, who support it and who deal with it to receive the punishment they deserve."

Yugoslavia, African and many other members have argued that Egypt should not be suspended because it had not violated any of the movement's principles. Conference sources saw Arafat's speech as a direct response to these members and noted that he referred to the Camp David treaty as an aggressive pact drawn up under U.S. direction. This would be a direct violation of Non-Aligned principles since members are not allowed to have military alliances with either superpower.

In a long speech which drew warm applause, the PLO leader bitterly attacked the U.S., Egypt and Israel, accusing Israel of carrying out nuclear tests in South Africa.

# Thatcher, Lynch seek ways to end bloodshed in Ireland

LONDON (UPI). — The British and Irish prime ministers mourned together at the funeral of Earl Mountbatten yesterday and then met for talks aimed at ending the bloodshed in Ireland of which Mountbatten has been the most illustrious victim.

After attending Mountbatten's funeral in Westminster Abbey, the two government chiefs and key ministers met for a working lunch at Thatcher's No. 10 Downing St. residence.

After lunch, devoted mainly to discussing European Common Market questions — Lynch is current chairman of the Common Market Council of Ministers — the two prime ministers sat down for a frank, private talk. Finally, they were joined by other ministers and aides in a plenary session in the Downing St. cabinet room.

Among the participants were British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington, Northern Ireland Secretary Humphrey Atkins, Irish Deputy Prime Minister George

Colley and Foreign Minister Vihai O'Kennedy.

She was said to have urged improved exchanges of intelligence between police forces on both sides of the north-south border; closer cooperation between the two police forces in anti-terrorist operations, particularly in the border area; and cooperation between the British and Irish armies in hunting down terrorists, with British troops allowed to invoke the right of hot pursuit when terrorists escape across the border.

Thatcher was said also to have called for extradition of known terrorists from the south — something the republic consistently has rejected on the grounds that its constitution forbids extradition for political offences.

Lynch was said to have replied there is no lack of cooperation by police in the republic. But he was said by Irish officials to have called for a "fresh political approach" by the British government, designed to give the Roman Catholic minority real power sharing in the province.

# Rotterdam port at strike standstill

ROTTERDAM (AP). — An unofficial strike by dockers has brought this port to a virtual standstill despite overnight agreement between the strikers' union and harbour employers on a new contract.

The agreement was rejected by delegates of the 7,000 strikers who walked off their jobs 13 days ago. It will now be put to a referendum, union officials said yesterday.

In the meantime, he said, the union had issued circulars on the docks detailing what it believed to be favourable terms won from the harbour employers' association and asking the men to resume work immediately.

A Rotterdam Port Authority spokesman said the daily movement of ships in and out of the port was down to 50, many of them small freighters, from an average of 80, and the total number of ships diverted to other European ports had passed the 50 mark.

# Polisario said massing along Morocco line

RABAT (Reuters). — Algerian-backed Polisario guerrillas have been massed in Mauritania along its border with Morocco in the Western Sahara, a pro-government Moroccan newspaper said yesterday.

The daily "Al-Maghreb" said the guerrillas were massed along the border of the Moroccan-ruled province of Oued Eddahab. It said that according to "verified information," concentrations and movements of the Polisario inside Mauritania "are much larger than what may be called their 'habitual presence'."

Meanwhile, the Morocco opposition party, the Socialist Union of Popular Forces (USFP), has called for a meeting of the Parliamentary Foreign Affairs Commission to examine the Moroccan reaction to Egypt's offer of military aid, the party newspaper "Al Moudjarrif" said yesterday.

Two government party newspapers, "Al Maghreb" and "Al Mithaq," welcomed the Egyptian offer but reaffirmed that Morocco's opposition to the Egyptian-Israeli peace agreement remained unchanged.

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# Hess back in hospital

BERLIN (UPI). — Rudolf Hess, 85-year-old former deputy of Adolf Hitler, probably will remain in a British military hospital for tests for a few days, a British spokesman said yesterday.

Hess, who is serving a life term in the war crimes prison in the Spandau district of West Berlin, was moved to the nearby British hospital on Tuesday after he complained of being unwell.

Hess, so haggard with age he remembers a scarecrow, has been in and out of the hospital in the last few years. His age and bad health continually prompt demands that he be released, demands repeatedly rejected by the Soviets who run the prison along with the Americans, British and French.

Hess has said he expects to die in Spandau, where he is the only occupant in a prison that had 960 inmates before the war.

# Pope making peace with rebel archbishop

BONN (AP). — Pope John Paul II has made peace with Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre, and will allow the renewed use of the old Latin mass which the rebel French cleric has championed, the magazine "Stern" reported yesterday.

The magazine also said there were rumors that Lefebvre was the new cardinal appointed June 30 "in pectore," or in secret, rather than a Lithuanian cleric, as had been speculated.

"Stern" quoted unnamed Lefebvre confidants as saying the pope had agreed to "again allow the old ritual forbidden by Paul VI but defended by Lefebvre."

Vatican sources rejected the story as "totally without foundation."

ART THEFT. — Sixty 18th-century book-illustrating botanic rarities in hand-painted pages, were stolen on Tuesday night from the Botanic Institute of Turin, Italian police said yesterday. Museum officials estimated the books, made of water-marked tablets, were worth more than \$3.6m.

# Islamic Guards take charge in Mahabad

MAHABAD, Iran (Reuters). — In what was the Kurdish rebel capital of Mahabad, Islamic Guards now occupy the former headquarters of the insurgents, the local offices of the banned Kurdish Democratic Party (KDP).

Up the road the Iranian Army's old U.S. M-47 tanks guard the entrance to the town's barracks, abandoned in haste by Kurdish guerrillas who fled towards the Iraqi border.

According to Iranian officials, about one-quarter of the town fled before the advancing government troops. Eyewitnesses spoke of a panic-stricken stream of women and children setting off with heavily armed men on the road to the last Kurdish outpost around Sardasht last Monday.

The occupation of Mahabad — capital of the abort-lived Kurdish republic after the end of World War II — appears to have broken the back of the Kurdish resistance.

The Kurdish guerrillas are trapped with their backs to the Iraqi border in a mountain fastness. Their

only communications with the rest of Iran are by radio-telephone and all supplies from the Iranian side have been cut off.

Army officers here estimate 50,000 armed men are holed up in Sardasht, the wine-capital of pre-revolutionary Iran, together with a flood of civilian refugees.

The military say they have not yet received any order to advance on Sardasht but what seems to await the guerrillas are the same methods which brought about the fall of the previous Kurdish strongholds — Phantom jets repeatedly breaking the sound barrier to intimidate the population and helicopter gunships firing rockets and machineguns at guerrilla positions.

In Mahabad, the end of the rebellion has brought Islamic rule to the town. Leftist party headquarters have been closed and some of their members arrested, according to Revolutionary Guards.

Abu Sharif, the battle name for the head of the Revolutionary Guards, rode through the town accompanied

by several armed men. Kurdish civilians looked on silently.

"The troops which spearheaded the capture of the town seemed quite convinced that the guards should not stay in Mahabad. It is better that the guards should not stay and we should stay here alone. The people do not want the guards," an officer said. But the Islamic Guardsmen stationed on the outskirts of the town are determined to remain and impose the strict laws of the Islamic Republic.

For them it is also essential that the roving executioner of Kurdish rebels, Ayatollah Sadeq Khalkhali should come here.

For this past few nights the television has shown news film of Khalkhali holding trials in other Kurdish areas. Worried looking Kurds watched the programmes, sadly shaking their heads. Some of the older ones remember how the leaders of the Kurdish republic were banged in the main squares of Mahabad by the shah in 1946-7.

# Vietnam said beefing up Cambodia

BANGKOK. — The English-language "Bangkok Post" reported yesterday that Vietnam has sent three more combat divisions into Cambodia, boosting its force there to about 200,000 men.

But reliable sources in Bangkok's Indochina-watching community could not confirm the report and said there have in fact been indications that the Vietnamese troop strength had been reduced.

The sources said the difficulty of operating during the current rainy season may have prompted Hanoi to pull out some of its soldiers and thus lessen the burden of maintaining a large military presence in Cambodia.

However, these and other analysts do not rule out a major Vietnamese offensive against the remnants of toppled Premier Pol Pot's army once the rains cease later in the year. Vietnam failed to wipe out the guerrillas in western Cambodia and in other pockets throughout the country earlier this year.

Estimates of Vietnamese troop strength in Cambodia have varied between 180,000 and 170,000 in the past few months, with analysts noting that the rotation of troops in and out of the country makes it difficult to give exact figures.

In a related development, Vietnam yesterday described the situation on its northern border with China as "very serious."

The official Radio Hanoi, mentioned in Bangkok, said China still had 12 divisions and six army corps, probably totalling more than 400,000 men, concentrated near the Vietnamese border.

Vietnam says China used more than 500,000 troops in its invasion of northern Vietnam's border provinces last February at the start of a one-month war between the two communist neighbours.

The two sides have held 11 sessions of talks since the war aimed at restoring normal relations, but appear to have made no progress. Peking is demanding that Vietnam withdraw its troops from Cambodia while Hanoi has said the demand is irrelevant to the dispute between Vietnam and China. (AP, Reuters)

# Young off on African tour

WASHINGTON. — Andrew Young left for Africa yesterday on his final overseas mission as Washington's ambassador to the UN.

Young, who resigned last month in a row over an unauthorized meeting with an official of the Palestine Liberation Organization, is leading a 17-day trade mission to Liberia, Ivory Coast, Nigeria, Cameroon, Kenya, Tanzania and Senegal.

Meanwhile, at the UN on Tuesday, the U.S. called on the international community to give special support to "the liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity" in southern Africa.

U.S. delegate David Cardwell told the preparatory committee for the World Conference of the UN Decade for Women that those organizations

"have a special role and deserve special support. However, this should not imply exclusion of support for other legitimate resistance and humanitarian organizations in Southern Africa."

The OAU recognises the Patriotic Front in Zimbabwe Rhodesia, the South-West Africa Peoples Organization in South-West Africa and two movements, the African National Congress and the Pan-Africanist Congress, in South Africa.

Cardwell, an adviser at the American UN mission, said his government opposed direct aid to national liberation movements but agreed that aid should go to all those in need without regard to political affiliation. (Reuters, AP)



Waves produced by Hurricane David passes the offshore lighthouse at Millsboro, Florida. (UPI telephoto)

# David dies with a whimper, but the bang killed 1,000

SAVANNAH, Georgia (AP). — Sapped of its killer force and still losing strength, hurricane David crept into South Carolina yesterday after churning through Savannah.

The National Hurricane Centre in Miami said hurricane warnings issued for the Atlantic Coast from Georgia to North Carolina were to be downgraded to gale warnings yesterday morning as David moved inland.

"We were very fortunate," Savannah Mayor John Rousakis said on Tuesday after the storm, one of the worst killers of the century, moved away from this coastal city leaving behind widespread but light damage.

David, which claimed at least 1,000 lives in the Caribbean, struck Savannah in its second slap at the U.S. mainland in two days. Heavy rains, high seas and anxiety engendered by the hurricane were blamed for at least seven deaths in Florida,

Georgia and South Carolina.

Trackers said the eye of the storm was no longer identifiable as it moved through South Carolina. Tornadoes damaged or destroyed at least nine homes.

In Brussels, the European Common Market commission decided to send \$3.174m. as immediate emergency aid to countries and territories devastated by David, a spokesman reported yesterday.

A Common Market agriculture expert will accompany a French mission sent to Martinique and Guadeloupe to investigate damages, he added. Caribbean islands associated with the Common Market will get special aid under the association treaty.

Martinique and Guadeloupe, which are part of the French territory and the European Community, will benefit from various other kinds of aid.

# Japan weeps for Lan Lan the panda

TOKYO (AP). — A seemingly endless procession of young and old, some with black umbrellas, many weeping, visited Tokyo's Ueno Zoo yesterday to mourn Lan Lan, the 11-year-old female panda who died on Tuesday.

The visitors offered fruit, flowers and a variety of gifts, messages of condolence and prayers. Some of the children carried panda dolls in their arms or on their backs, papoose fashion.

In the cage next to Lan Lan's, her 8-year-old mate, Kang Kang, languished alone. Occasionally he rose on his haunches and tried to peer into the empty enclosure.

"Kang Kang is apparently aware that Lan Lan is gone," said a sorrowful zoo official. "He refuses to touch his food."

Japan has lost a panda but won another rare animal. Toto the baby African Gorilla. Toto set off for a new home in a Japanese zoo on Tuesday after being held five days at Lon-

don's Heathrow airport by order of the British government.

When Toto arrived in London officials of the Department of the Environment ordered her to be taken off the flight from Vienna to Tokyo. Toto, as a lowland Camaroun gorilla, belongs to what is officially designated as an endangered species.

The officials feared she might be being smuggled illegally from her West African birthplace in Cameroon via Vienna and London to Japan. The convention on international trade in endangered species bans the commercial sale of gorillas.

But officials said on Tuesday they were satisfied there had been no monkey business. Toto was legitimately off to Sizuoka municipal zoo in Japan to take part in a "captive breeding programme" and both Cameroon and Japanese legal requirements had been met, they said.

# Sardinian kidnappers said wanting \$25m. for mother, child

OLBIA, Sardinia (AP). — British businessman Rolf Schild was freed at dawn yesterday after an eight-hour trek on foot and horseback. But his kidnappers reportedly demanded 20 billion lire, or \$25m., for the release of his wife and 14-year-old daughter.

It was the highest ransom ever demanded by Italian kidnappers and police sources quoted Schild as saying it was a "crazy demand" he

could not meet. Police said Sardinian bandits have often released one hostage to report their ransom demands.

The German-born Schild, his wife Daphne and daughter Annabella vanished the night of August 22 while returning to their vacation villa on the northern coast of this island. Two days later police found their burned out car but no trace of the family. Schild was picked up by a bus on a

country road near Bono in the island's mountainous and wooded interior. "He looked like a ghost of a man," said Sebastiano Sulas, a passenger who said Schild was on his knees at the centre of the road. "He didn't even have the strength to climb on."

His face showed two weeks' stubble and scratches indicating he had been taken through bushes by his captors.

# Clamping down on cash hoarders

THE ZAIREAN authorities are investigating a number of important commercial enterprises believed to be owned and operated by key members of the country's sole legal political party, the Popular Movement of the Revolution (MPR).

The investigations, which began with 17 of the capital's largest companies, followed allegations of financial irregularities and tax evasion.

The move is part of the government's efforts to improve the country's tottering economic situation. At the same time the government has ruled that the hoarding of bank notes is a crime and is trying to force people to put their money into banks.

Hoarding and tax evasion have left both the central and commercial banks with insufficient cash to handle even basic financial matters. At the end of July the situation became so serious that wages for government employees had to be deferred

because there was no money to pay them.

Workers, struggling to cope with soaring inflation and abysmally low salaries, in addition to irregular pay checks, are in an intolerable situation.

ALL BUSINESS transactions in Zaire have to be conducted in cash, so businessmen carry money in briefcases. Lately some people in Kinshasa have found that briefcases don't hold enough and have begun to use suitcases. Several businessmen have even been seen unloading trunks of money from their cars.

Earlier this year President Mobutu Sese Seko backed a move by Zairean banks to deny further credit facilities to some 50 customers, most of them members of the executive council of the MPR, as part of a campaign to get the country's finances on a sound footing.

The president's own uncle, Litho

Mobutu, one of the richest Zaireans after Mobutu, was one of those refused further credit. Also blacklisted were Moleka (Mobutu's business confidant and kinsman) and Lengema Dulla (Mobutu's special roving envoy).

Fifty-five commercial firms were warned that their activities were being investigated. The move was instigated by an International Monetary Fund team seconded to the Zairean Central Bank.

It is understood Mobutu's support for the measure was influenced by the arrest of his agriculture minister, Tapa Tondole Zambita, for alleged misappropriation of unspecified sums of money intended for an agricultural project. Zambita is said to have used the money for his family business.

Earlier, several ministers had appeared before a session of parliament during which members accused them and their ministries of corruption and mismanagement.

THE BUSINESSMEN who were refused further credit facilities included two members of parliament. They were all ordered to repay their outstanding debts and to transfer to the country unspecified amounts of money salted away in bank accounts abroad.

While it was reported that more than 200 people "disappeared" in one of the country's rivers at Mbuji Mayi as they were fleeing from police, the people were alleged to have been involved in diamond smuggling in the area when police arrived.

Other reports said President

Mobutu had been to the area to calm villagers following allegations of official persecution of residents in the area. In Brussels, however, exiled Zairean opposition troops claimed Zairean government troops had been dispatched to the area to deal with members of the Luba ethnic group who had refused to obey instructions to discard their traditional rites.

According to the exile sources, more than 200 people were killed by the troops for defying official instructions.

DIAMOND smuggling in the country has had a great effect on the economy. In the past the authorities have blamed foreigners for the traffic and many of them were expelled from the country.

In August 1968, several foreigners were thrown out for not being in possession of visas, for being unemployed and for being "undesirables." Among them were

Togolese, Senegalese, Malians, Chadians, Gambians and Sierra Leoneans.

Two years later, in September 1971, more than 4,700 foreign Africans were booted out of Zaire, this time on grounds of involvement in diamond smuggling.

In addition to those who were expelled, 2,248 were detained without charge of trial. Some sources claim those detained numbered 38,000.

Many of those expelled had their property looted by Zairean soldiers. In some cases the property was sold to defray the costs of expulsion. Many were escorted to their planes — by heavily-armed Zairean soldiers — with no possessions other than the clothes they wore.

Those who had married Zairean women were not allowed to take their wives with them. Many of the detainees were reportedly severely beaten up and a few died.

(Genial News Service)



Mobutu Sese Seko

# Dilemma for defector

By CHRIS MORGENSSON/Stockholm

THE GIANT Swedish Metal Workers' Union has given its support to Soviet defector Valentin Agapov's lone fight to persuade Russia to let his wife, daughter and mother join him in the West.

The union, with about half a million members, has frozen its relations with the Soviet Union until the Agapov case is resolved. "We can't have trade union contacts with people we cannot trust," says union leader Stig Malm.

Malm and the union's international secretary, Bengt Jakobsson, made representations on Agapov's behalf during an official trade union visit to Moscow last October and were promised that Agapov's family would be granted exit visas.

Malm says they were told the three women would be allowed to leave either at the end of 1978 or early in 1979. The information came through Nikolai Dragunov, chairman of the Car and Tractor Workers' Union, and Genadij Korznikov, the union's international secretary, said Malm. Both the Russians later denied that any such assurance had been given.

In a letter to Dragunov and Korznikov, Malm says: "We are disappointed that we cannot depend on you."

The union's action is the latest move in Agapov's battle with Soviet bureaucracy which has methods have ranged from the breathtakingly daring — a friend flew a light plane into Russia in an abortive bid to pick up the family — to the bizarre, with Agapov threatening to hang himself in front of the Soviet Embassy in Stockholm.

Ask Agapov how he likes living in Sweden and he replies: "I really don't know. I just fight for my family. I fight and I fight... I feel nothing,

I am always thinking of my struggle. I shall never give up."

BECAUSE of the personal nature of this struggle, the dissidents of the Helsinki Group inside Russia are unwilling to give their backing. "The Agapovs are interested only in themselves," said one dissident in Moscow. "They don't care about the wider issues of civil rights."

The judgement is not without foundation, Valentin Agapov, as far as one can gather, is not politically motivated. But in many ways this only goes to make his case more deserving. He is not out to prove anything — he just wants to be reunited with his family.

His long, bitter battle started on November 15, 1974. He was one of a party of Soviet seamen who stopped to look at a football match on television in a shop window in the west coast port of Helsingborg. Agapov and a friend stayed watching while the others moved off.

The ship's political officer told them they would be reported to the authorities when the ship got back to Russia and confiscated their passports. On the spur of the moment, Agapov jumped ship and applied for political asylum in Sweden.

"What could I do? I knew my word would count for nothing against his. I wouldn't get a fair trial. I faced Agapov and there would have been some to support my family," he says.

Since what he calls his "accidental defection," Agapov's wife, Ludmila, 41, who has recurring stomach troubles, has lost her job and has to keep house on the pitiful pension of Agapov's 66-year-old mother, Antonina.

When Agapov last spoke to his wife by telephone she said the apartment was watched day and night by KGB agents: "The men sit in two cars, five to a car. They work in eight-hour

shifts round the clock," he said. "How mudd does that cost and what purpose can it possibly serve to watch three women 24 hours a day?"

"When my wife went to the Lubianka in Moscow and complained to a colonel there that she was being watched, he just laughed and said she was sick and imagining it all."

"But they are terrorizing my family. The KGB tried to murder my mother. They have threatened my wife. Think about your daughter, they told her. What will become of her? Over and over again they said this to her."

BOTH Ludmila and Antonina Agapov have attempted suicide in front of their KGB persecutors. Ludmila wounded herself in the breast with a knife and Antonina drank poison.

In April last year, Sweden's Carl-Goran Wicknerberg and Per-Gunnar Nyström flew a two-seater plane into Russia in a bid to smuggle out the three women. They landed on a frozen lake but failed to make contact and flew back to Finland where they were tried on a charge of violating Finnish airspace and deported.

Since then, Agapov has tried more conventional ways to do battle. At almost every Soviet event in Sweden he protests, pathetically draped with placards, and has written to U.S. Senator Jimmy Carter and 80 U.S. Senators.

The official Soviet line is that Ludmila worked in a factory which did secret work on the space project and is a security risk. Agapov says his wife worked in a part of the factory that was not concerned with space.

Meanwhile, 45-year-old Agapov lives in Gothenburg where he is on a government job training course. (Observer Foreign News Service)

ONE OF the last strongholds of male chauvinism in the Western world — West Germany — is showing signs of erosion. For now, women are at least making themselves heard. Being German, they do not act impulsively, but the results they eventually obtain are spectacular and enduring.

Tired of living with the motto "Kinder, kuche, kirche" (children, kitchen and church) an increasing number of women are fighting on two fronts. On the one hand, they are seeking to establish themselves as equal partners in a society of men; on the other, they are seeking to make other women conscious of their rights.

Mrs. Marlies Kutsch, who directs the department for women's politics in the Ministry of Health, Family and Youth (the minister is a woman), concedes there are greater difficulties on the second front. Most West German women are still housewives, but the recent amendment to the marriage law has provided married women with a strong sense of security. The amended law allows a wife or a husband to obtain a divorce at any time on the simple grounds that they are incompatible.

Furthermore, the partner who has more money or his disposal (rather

# WOMEN BATTLE MALE BASTION

By YAEL ZARAI/Post Bonn Correspondent

than the one who earns more) must provide for the other partner as long as he (or she) is not living at a standard equal to that enjoyed during married life. Reaching this living standard can seldom be achieved by women, for, although men and women have equal rights under West German law, women's salaries are still generally smaller than men's.

This state of affairs will certainly change as more women go out to work. There are already growing numbers of women among the ranks of doctors, lawyers, psychologists and social workers.

MOST IMPORTANT, the holy of holies, Bonn's political scene, is also undergoing a transformation that would have been unthinkable a few years ago: It is slowly being invaded by women who are taking their place in parliament, in key government jobs (Dr. Hamm-Bruecker, state

secretary for foreign affairs, is a woman), in the unions and in the hierarchies of the major parties.

The most dramatic example of female upward mobility in West German politics is Mrs. Anne-Marie Renger, who was president of the parliament and, thus, second in importance only to the state president. Renger is now vice-president of the parliament and was in May the Social Democratic Party's candidate for the state presidency.

"If I believe in something, even if it is not my party's line, I must say it loud and clear," she says. "Whether it harms me personally is unimportant."

True to her word, Renger was recently the only Social Democrat who made an official declaration supporting Israel and showing understanding for Israel's refusal to deal with the PLO.

Renger admits that it is not easy to be a wife, mother and politician at the same time. But through her actions she proves it is possible.

"In the last few years," says Renger, "women have changed the political face of Bonn. We are still a minority, but without us the political world would be very dry and cold. We have broken down barriers and shown that an individual's value has nothing to do with sex. I accept the functions I was offered because I believe that a woman can fulfil any political function as well as a man."

COULD A WOMAN become West German chancellor? The notion still seems extremely far-fetched, but much less so than it did four years ago.

Reason and logic are dear to the German mind and reason has it that if Margaret Thatcher can lead Britain, if Simone Veil can preside over the European Parliament, a woman chancellor in West Germany is not so improbable.

Bonn women are aware of the many obstacles they face on the road to full equality; they know that many citizens are still conservative and family-minded, but they also know that there is no return to their previous role and they are proceeding quietly and surely.

THE MYSTERIOUS disappearance of financier Michele Sindona, shortly before he was due to appear to face charges in the U.S. in connection with the failure of the Franklin National Bank in 1974, has had one decisive echo in his native Italy, where he is also wanted on similar charges in connection with the collapse, in the same year, of a Milan bank which he also controlled, Banca Privata Italiana.

It has united all political parties in the country approving the launching of a parliamentary enquiry into Sindona's activities, not only in the world of finance but also of politics. This decision is not likely to be reversed, when or wherever he may eventually reappear.

For some time now, the parties on the left, including the Communists and Socialists, have been pressing for such action; more recently they have been joined by parties more to the right, such as the Republicans.

Now, decisively, the Christian Democrats, who have governed Italy since the end of World War II, have associated themselves with the project, so that it will go ahead. This is highly significant, indicating sentiment in the party that cannot be held back. Despite the fact that, after being in power so long, the Christian Democrats might have the most to lose from the proposed investigation, the party has now taken the lead in proposing setting up of a commission representing both chambers to look into Sindona's activities in Italy.

Its mandate is wide and probing: to investigate whether the financier engaged in illicit financial dealings with any Italian politicians, ministers, public officials; whether any of them helped him to flee to the U.S. when he was threatened with prosecution after the failure of the Banca Privata. Impeded his extradition back to Italy since or even interfered in legal proceedings against him.

which sets forth in detail how the Italian financier administered the extremely complex network of secret and obscure institutions, which made up a vast empire concentrated mainly in the U.S. and Italy, but extending also to Switzerland and Liechtenstein, to the Caribbean and South America.

THE CONSENSUS in Italy is that it was mainly because he was on the track of this dossier that the lawyer Giorgio Ambrosoli, the liquidator of Banca Privata, was brutally gunned down in Milan in mid-July by professional killers believed to have been recruited from Mafia circles in the U.S., expressly for the purpose.

According to press reports, Ambrosoli had succeeded in acquiring 43 per cent of the shares of Amincor from its voluntary liquidator, regarded as a "front" man for Sindona, in return for immunity from prosecution and a cancellation of personal debts involving the bank.

Ambrosoli was said to be aiming to obtain 61 per cent control, which would have given him access to the dossier and its closely guarded secrets. Some sources say it was already in his possession when he was murdered.

If the parliamentary enquiry gets under way soon, the Sindona serial story should be about to add some more exciting and possibly quite dramatic chapters. Italians should be kept in suspense for some while to come, in each case expecting that at least some of the 600 names may come to light.

But the real meat of the saga will be exposed if the dossier disclosing all Sindona's global wheelings and dealings — where they were carried on, who aided and abetted them, who benefited from them, and so on — come to light. That should be able to count on international best-seller readership. It all depends what, if anything, comes out of those two Swiss banks in Zurich and Geneva. (Observer Foreign News Service)

# Focus on missing financier

By NORRIS WILLAT Lugano

IN ITALY, where the Sindona affair has assumed the character of a long-running adventure serial, with a flavour of high finance, people find most intriguing the reports of a notorious "list of the 600" said to be locked away in the vaults of a Swiss bank.

The list is alleged to identify clients who, with Sindona's help, smuggled capital out of Italy, in violation of exchange control regulations, and also, in certain cases, in order to avoid paying taxes. Speculation is that the document could bear some very famous names indeed, from the spheres of politics, public service, finance, industry, the arts, the jet set and not excluding Mafia bosses and princes of the Church.

This list, it is claimed, was concealed in one of two Swiss banks which Sindona controlled until the collapse of his international financial empire, Fininvest of Geneva. To have its contents revealed would undoubtedly thrill Italians with no knowledge of or interest in high finance.

Of greater interest to the latter, and also to the authorities who would like to get Sindona into a court of law, however, is another document, which is believed to be locked up in another bank Sindona once controlled, the Amincor Bank of Zurich. This is described as a dossier

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# Power for the people

By JACK MAURICE/Post Paris Correspondent

ARNAUD DE LAVAL, a 28-year old shepherd, is not worried about the risk of power cuts in France this winter. While he keeps a weather eye on his 800 lambs in the Aude Valley near Caracassonne, a south-western France, the wind, sun and a river provide all the energy he needs. And there is plenty to spare for his neighbours, too.

De Laval is no ordinary shepherd. Tired of life in Paris, he moved to Campagna-de-Sault, a hamlet at the end of a country cul-de-sac, four years ago. His lambs provided him with an adequate livelihood. But De Laval had other ideas.

He joined forces with a group of students from the Senior School for Electro-Mechanical and Electronic Engineers, based in Paris, and they decided to build their own independent electricity installation.

They obtained a \$60,000 grant from the Ministry of Industry. Michel Ligier, a teacher at the school, supervised the venture.

The principle behind the project was to use three complementary sources of renewable energy — water, sun and wind — to provide a permanent supply of power through accumulator batteries.

THE FIRST stage was the construction of a 300-watt windmill and an installation for transforming direct into alternating current. Electricite de France, the public utility which has a monopoly of power generation,

reacted in a hostile manner. The windmill and the supply from the EDF grid were arbitrarily disconnected. For two weeks de Laval's farm was in darkness.

The next step was a 200-watt system of photo-voltaic batteries. Finally, came the heaviest item: a 3,000-watt mini-hydro-electric station which now supplies power for six months in the year. For the remaining period the sun and wind take over.

De Laval and his helpers used a river with a seven-metre slope providing a flow of 40 litres of water per second for the hydro station. The wind energy represents between 800 and 900 watts a year per square metre. Solar power output is 1,200 KWH per square metre per annum.

The installation is not immediately a profit-maker because of the big initial investment. But Ligier says mass-production would divide costs by ten. For farms and homes which are located more than 500 metres from the power grid, the wind-sun-water combination with batteries would soon be worthwhile.

THE LANGUEDOC shepherd's experiment will not remain a dead letter. Leroy-Somer, a major French manufacturer of solar pumps, is taking a keen interest in the venture which he technically well ahead of the firm's own projects for mini-power stations.

Meanwhile, Electricite de France

has opted for the wind in the Atlantic approaches to provide energy for the Isle of Ushant, whose reefs are a shipping graveyard.

EDF has decided that the wind is more rational than replacing its ageing diesel engines on the island or bringing in power by cable from the Brittany mainland.

France's first 100 kilowatt windmill — or aero-generator, as EDF calls it — is now almost completed. After a series of tests at the end of the summer, it will go into service in the autumn.

The government's new Energies Department asked EDF to choose wind power to develop practical experience with this type of energy.

The aero-generator is 33-metres high and has a twin-bladed aluminium propeller with a diameter of 24 metres. Current delivered from a transformer will be 5,500 volts.

Since it works automatically, no supervisory personnel are required. Total investment is on the order of \$240,000.

Ushant is an ideal location since the wind blows almost without respite along the Brittany coast. EDF, however, says there are still problems. One is fatigue for the propellers, which have a tendency to snap. Another is how lofty aero-generators will merge into the countryside. But in the old days every French hill was surmounted by a prototype — called a windmill.



AGATHA. Starring Vanessa Redgrave and Dustin Hoffman. Directed by Michael Apted. Screenplay by Kathleen Tynan and Arthur Hopcraft.

IF AGATHA CHRISTIE could have been persuaded to write about her own mysterious disappearance in 1926, we might have been treated to a real thriller. Instead screenwriters Kathleen Tynan and Arthur Hopcraft have conjured up an imaginary solution to an unsolved mystery, which only emphasizes the gap between Christie's art and theirs.

Our expectations are great — what with the talented Vanessa Redgrave (no matter what her political affiliations) and Dustin Hoffman co-starring in a touching, but unromantic, love duet. But the fanciful plot relies on accessories — potted palms, cloche hats and a half-burned diary — not on substance, and no delightful surprise or end-of-tale twist awaits us to lessen our disappointment.

The unemphatic facts are these: On Friday evening, December 1926, Agatha Christie left her home outside London and was missing for 11 days. Fifteen thousand police and volunteers including boy scouts, dog handlers, monoplane pilots and mystic diviners, combed the Berkshire countryside near her home. The London Daily News offered a staggering reward for the "first" information leading to the discovery of the whereabouts of Mrs. Christie. "If alive". A competing newspaper printed front-page photos of how she might appear in disguises inspired by the characters in her books.

Then, as suddenly and mysteriously as she had vanished, Agatha Christie reappeared at a fashionable health spa in Yorkshire. Her husband, the Col. Archibald Christie, claimed amnesia in her behalf, brought on by overwork and a suspected concussion.

Agatha Christie never even mentioned the incident in her autobiography, carrying her secret to the grave when she died in 1975. Piecing together fact and fiction, the scriptwriters have suggested that the shy, retiring Agatha, overwhelmed by her world-wide fame as a mystery writer, was suddenly threatened by her husband's request for a divorce. He intended to marry his attractive young secretary — a familiar enough scenario.

AGATHA disappears and then reappears at a Yorkshire health spa, where, to a brilliant touch of irony, she registers as Mrs. Theresa Neele, choosing the same family name as

# Great expectations — unfulfilled

her husband's mistress, her rival, Nancy Neele.

We watch and wait patiently, as Agatha settles on a fitting plan to wreak her just revenge.

A fictional character written for obvious dramatic reasons is Wally Stanton (Dustin Hoffman), a plucky, identified yankee journalist who turns sleuth in an attempt to discover Agatha's whereabouts.

Hunting a scoop, pint-sized Stanton faces a professional and logistical dilemma when he realizes he is falling in love with the towering figure of Agatha Christie. These Mutt-and-Jeff moments are invariably the most charming the film has to offer.

As a period piece, "Agatha" is impeccable, and much can be said in praise of Redgrave's and Hoffman's tight, economic performances, rendered in pure Christie tradition. But the plot itself is patchy, and one can't help thinking that Agatha Christie might have engineered an 11-day retreat only to be alone — without any extenuating circumstances. In that case, Agatha Christie with her secret well-guarded, has the last laugh. And that's just the way it should be.

RUTH ARIELLA BROYDE

ESCAPE TO ATHENS: Starring Roger Moore, Telly Savalas, David Niven, Stefanie Powers, Claudia Cardinale, Richard Roundtree, Sonny Bono and Elliot Gould. Directed by George Fan Costanzo.

WAR IS hell — of that there can be no question, but within the inferno there can be some very funny moments. "Stalag 17" and "M.A.S.H." provided adequate demonstrations of the situations of black humour that men and women at war either create or find themselves in. "Escape to Athens" is a star-studded attempt to produce the definitive war film with a grin.

Set in a luxurious prisoner of war camp on a Greek island, the film focuses on a group of POWs imported there because of their special fitness for digging up art treasures. They are supervised by Major Otto Hecht (Roger Moore), a debonair, sympathetic, knowledgeable purveyor of Greek antiquities — hence his assignment to run the camp. His loyalty to the Reich is limited and does not prevent him from caching considerable loot for himself. He also has an eye for the occasional female prisoner who comes his way

and taste enough to provide such "guests" with deluxe quarters, lobster dinners and well-selected Bordeaux wines.

His collection of prisoners, aware of his weaknesses, do not hesitate to take advantage of them. Professor Blake (David Niven) enjoys escaping from time to time; Bruno Totalli (Sonny Bono) is an Italian-American cook who specializes in what he calls "Socrates' Revenge"; Nat Judson (Richard Roundtree) is a black sergeant who enjoys cracking German skulls together; and there is a pair of American USO comedians (Elliot Gould and Stefanie Powers) who know how to make the very best of everything.

Life and the film go on entertainingly at the camp. There is even a very funny walk-on by William Holden as a leftover from "Stalag 17" to add to the sense of parody and fun.



A scene from "Wonderful Men With a Crank."

because of his affair with Eleana (Claudia Cardinale), is in charge of the Greek Resistance forces on the island. He has set up Eleana and a group of girls in a bordello to tap information from the German occupiers, but things have not gone too smoothly, and a group of the islanders are scheduled to be executed by the Nazis. Zeno, working with the POWs, sets up a plan to take over the island, and there are some gruesome battles and lots of spilled blood in the town square.

Either story might have made an adequate film, but the combination spoils it. The genuinely funny moments are made to seem distasteful by the real grotesqueness of war, and situations that could have provided moments of tension are harmed, because one never knows whether there is a punch-line to follow or not.

Casting is also somewhat problematic. One has trouble perceiving Telly Savalas as anything but Kojak; Roger Moore comes across as the suave Saint rather than as a semi-sinister German; Elliot

DAVID GEORGE

Could seem left over from "Bob and Carol and Ted and Alice"; Sonny Bono looks lonely without Cher; and Richard Roundtree seems amazingly like Shaft in a sergeant's uniform. David Niven, it is true, fits in beautifully, but David Niven fits in beautifully no matter what he does.

Filmed entirely on Rhodes, the scenic shots are breathtaking. The lovely Mediterranean, the magnificent monasteries, the charm of the towns, the quality of the local cuisine and even the local bordello make one pine for a trip abroad. The film also makes one pine, but for exactly what is difficult to say.

DAVID GEORGE

DAYS OF HEAVEN Starring Richard Gere, Brooke Adams, Sam Shepard and Linda Manz. Written and directed by Terrence Malick.

THE VISUAL splendour of young Terrence Malick's second feature film is so overpowering that human misery and poverty become luminous, gold-framed icons begging for our adoration, not our sympathy.

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Time has been slowed down perceptibly. We are caught up in the languorous, sustained rhythms of rural pre-World War I America. The year is 1918. Three migrant workers, children of immigrants, Bill (Richard Gere), his little sister Linda (Linda Manz), and his girlfriend Abby (Brooke Adams), hop a train to the Texas panhandle, eager to escape the poverty of their Chicago lives.

Like the other hopefuls who believe in Horace Greeley's 19th century injunction, "Go West, young man, go West," these three vagabonds arrive with a satchel full of dreams.

They are among the lucky hired to plant and harvest wheat for a wealthy, young Texas farmer who lives alone in a huge Victorian home rising up like some exotic mushroom in the middle of the vast, flat prairie.

From sunrise to sunset, their tiny figures toil in the amber and ochre fields, which stretch out endlessly, romantically, against an immense blue heaven. Reaching back to America's rural history for his inspiration, Director Malick has recreated that period with unparalleled lyricism, summed up in the stunning 70mm cinematography of Nestor Almendros (with additional photography by Haskell Wexler).

THE STORY itself is a simple one, almost biblical in form. When Bill overhears that the young farmer (Sam Shepard) is suffering from a fatal disease, he persuades his girlfriend — whom until then he has passed off as his sister — to marry the farmer, hoping to lay claim to his fortune when he dies. (Remember how our Jewish patriarch Abraham passed off his wife Sarah as his sister to ease their lives?)

For a while, after the wedding, all four enjoy the carefree, carefree "days of heaven," as little sister Linda narrates to us in her offhand nasal patter. But, as in all morality tales, the sinner must pay the price for his deed.

Apocalypse is forthcoming, but the human story is dwarfed by the visual grandeur — both the greatest strength and greatest weakness of the film. The lasting effect is sensory, rather than emotional, but that is reason enough to see and celebrate this remarkable film.

UNTIL now Menzel has been best known for his 1968 film "Closely Watched Trains." "Wonderful Men" is surely his most cinematic, in a well-deserved place in the "Hall of Cinematic Love poems." As Truffaut in "Day for Night" and Fellini in "8 1/2" have tenderly demonstrated, cinema has a will and desire of its own, leaving traces of immortality long after the filmmaker has packed up his camera and sent the crew and artists home.

RUTH ARIELLA BROYDE



The Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Philip, greets Jonathan Chiswick, former head of United Artists in Israel who is now managing director of United Artists in Britain. The meeting took place at a showing in London of the latest James Bond film, "Moonraker." The film is currently being shown in Israel.

## Healthy relationship

By HAIM SHAPIRO/Jerusalem Post Reporter

THERE IS one "settlement" in Judea and Samaria that none of the local Arab residents have complained about. In fact, they do all they can to help it along.

Granted the settlement has only three Israelis — two Jews and a Christian Arab. The Jews are doctors and the Arab a volunteer nurse. Together with a local medical team they run the Oncology Clinic which serves the entire West Bank.

Cancer specialist Dr. Yosef Horn, who also heads the Oncology Department at Assaf Harofe Hospital near Tel Aviv, runs the West Bank facility, located in the government hospital in Beit Jala, near Bethlehem.

Together with Dr. Naftali Wallach, also of Assaf Harofe, Dr. Mahmoud Illan, a local physician, and Suvad Awwad and Kwal Abu Akl, they consider each case in a mixture of Hebrew, Arabic and English, trading gentle gibes in between.

Before March 1978, when the clinic was set up by the Military Government, Horn told The Jerusalem Post, treatment was scattered all over the West Bank. It was given late, in many cases and there was little follow-up.

When we started, he said, we often saw patients with swellings as large as eggs. After a year and a half, such cases have all but disappeared. In their place are a regular flow of new and recurrent cases, often accompanied by anxious relatives. They are referred to the clinic by 16 private and public hospitals in the

area. In addition to examining new patients the doctors continue all follow-up, distribute drugs and send those who need it in for radiotherapy. Since there is no radiotherapy unit in the West Bank, the patients are sent to Assaf Harofe Hospital, where they are treated by the same team.

IN AN AREA of health care in which there is often little room for hope, an aura of goodwill pervades the scene. Before the department existed, a relatively high percentage of patients failed to show up at Israeli hospitals for appointments, evidently because of transport and language problems. This is no longer the case.

The two-day-a-week clinic serves a population of 700,000, as well as a number of patients from as far away as Iraq.

On the day I visited the clinic they had just received a letter from a hospital in Amman. The answer was far more prompt than that of some Israeli hospitals, Horn confided.

Every week, the team sees 40 to 45 patients. When they first began working the clinic was open from 8 to 10 a.m. Now, they rarely finish their work before 3 p.m.

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## View from a bakery

By ROBERT ROSENBERG  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

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the cart begins to get out of control, the boys stand on the tires, slowing the vehicle.

Their deliveries made, they run back to the bakery to wait for a new bin of bread. Only rarely can they be seen eating one of the loaf.

THE WORK continues until dusk. The boys collect their pay from the baker, who has sat inside the factory behind an old wooden desk all day. He pays them with crumpled hills and little sacks of coins, which he has collected throughout the day. He has been reading Talmud as the day progressed, and the boys know the day is over when he closes the last book on his desk. The two Arabs leave the bakery with the religious man, who takes out the padlock and the chin, and locks up.

Later, after the echoes and shouts of the delivery boys have faded away, and the clank of the conveyor belt is gone from the alley, a new sound slips into the narrow road. It is the sound of the cardplayers at the club across the street.

The cardplayers drink cognac as they play. Only club members may join. They duck into a doorway that during the day appears permanently closed. But at night the door opens to a lighted courtyard.

Upstairs the card players don't make too much noise, but they can be heard until late at night. And then, shortly before the bakery owner appears to unlock the pita factory, the club closes, and the members trickle out.

They are dressed in bright polyester, with pants tight from waist to knee and beer bellies hiding their belts. Their jerseys are knit, with stripes or dark patterns. Maybe the delivery boys will dress like the cardplayers one day. They stand under the streetlamp at the end of the alley, until the bakery owner appears. That's the signal for them to go.

## TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Use the same diagram for either the Easy or the Cryptic puzzle.

**EASY PUZZLE**

**ACROSS**

1 Evidence (5)  
6 Sporting contest (5)  
9 Normal (7)  
10 Foolish (5)  
11 Flowering tree (5)  
12 Furious (5)  
13 Sundry (7)  
15 Sleeping place (5)  
17 Not working (4)  
18 Enraged upon (5)  
19 Gripe (5)  
20 ME (5)  
21 Make eyes at (4)  
22 Observe (3)  
23 Non-professional (7)  
24 Walks lamely (5)  
27 Type of boat (5)  
28 Places for sailing (5)  
29 More cross (7)  
30 Intended (5)  
31 Flower (5)

**DOWN**

2 Going rotten (6)  
3 Highly decorated (6)  
4 Professional charge (3)  
5 Part of the eye (5)  
6 Defames (7)  
7 Very dry (4)  
8 Pursued (6)  
14 Pass along smoothly (5)  
15 Vessel (5)  
16 Put out (5)  
17 Trawl (5)  
18 Articles (5)  
19 Hospital innards (7)  
21 Deny (6)  
22 Water creatures (5)  
23 Sheen (5)  
25 Separate (5)  
26 Something lent (5)  
28 Ocean (3)

**CRYPTIC PUZZLE**

**ACROSS**

1 Ram came to sea (5)  
2 Flower, maple, but heavy (5)  
3 Is it his job to pick people up? (4-3)  
4 Same source in the latest (5)  
5 Characteristic expression (5)  
6 Like going men of letters (5)  
7 Water is a high rate for steep coast? (7)  
8 Stage transformation (5)  
9 Go man back into (4)  
10 Superlatively reliable (6)  
11 Sarcasm? (5)  
12 Take on busker for a chance (5)  
13 Ounce of course (4)

**DOWN**

1 Vehicles that carry a lot of fuel (5)  
2 A Mr. Potkin (5)  
3 Friday year (3)  
4 16000 count round (5)  
5 Title a course in mathematics (5)  
6 Broke about the end? (7)  
7 Compulsive stranger (6)  
8 Children from various angles (5)  
9 I love you in a song (5)  
10 Exploring Thales' Union (5)  
11 Where couldn't water? (4)  
12 What's best from her before June (3)

**SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLE TOMORROW**

## Banks offer 25% grant to depositors Savings scheme war

By MACABEE DEAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The country's banks are engaged in a "savings scheme" war. The first round started earlier this week when the First International Bank, without coordinating its scheme with the other banks, suddenly announced that it was increasing from 14 to 24 per cent the grant it would give to anyone depositing up to IL60,000 for six years. First International, however, set September 17 as the deadline.

The next day, the other banks in the country, led by the three largest networks, Leumi, Hapoalim, and Discount, announced that they were offering a 25 per cent grant. They also limited the time for joining until September 17.

First International then stated it was raising its grant to 28 per cent, the same as the other banks, and went one step further — it was extending its deadline for joining until the last day of September.

The other banks have announced that they are considering extending the deadline — but have not made any firm announcement when registration for their programme would end, if indeed the time limit was extended.

According to banking circles, the schemes, which are now identical, except for the time limit, provide that anyone "breaking" the scheme, that is to say, demanding his money back before the end of the six years, will lose the entire grant. Moreover, since the schemes also pay three per cent unlinked interest on the principal deposited, interest on taxes would be deducted from anyone withdrawing his money in the first three years of the scheme.

However, several banks noted that "the number withdrawing from the schemes is very small."

Although the 25 per cent grant seems to be a large sum, the banks admit that this grant, spread over a period of six years, together with the

three per cent unlinked interest, would give only a 4.4 per cent "real" yield if the inflation rate was 30 per cent a year during the six years; it would drop to 3.9 per cent "real" yield if the inflation rate was an average of 60 per cent a year.

However, this is substantially more than the yields on the 14 per cent grant, which give a real yield of 2.9 per cent if the inflation rate is an average of 30 per cent for six years, and 2.4 per cent if the inflation is 60 per cent during the six-year period.

The banks in turn are investing the moneys they receive in government index-linked bonds. According to one bank, the banks themselves will make an average income of about 1.3 per cent on the six-year scheme with the 25 per cent grant.

The banks claim that the savings schemes, even the old ones granting 14 per cent (to which the banks will revert after the end of the present campaign) give a much higher yield than 80 per cent government-linked bonds, the only type the government is now issuing to the public. They pay about two per cent "real" interest a year.

However, the government-linked bonds are "liquid," they can be sold at any time, thus giving the saver considerable flexibility if he should suddenly need cash. So far, though, they have proved a better investment than foreign currency.

One banker said that if anybody had a lot of money to invest, he should place one-third in linked-bonds, one-third in foreign currency and one-third in long-range savings schemes.

He noted that under present regulations a person could open one such long-range savings scheme for each member of his family in the bank with which he normally "worked." Moreover, he could open a similar scheme for each member of his family in all other banks in the country, thus a family of four could open about 60 similar savings schemes.



The board chairman of Bank Leumi, E. Japhet (left) shakes the hand of David Azulay, who won an efficiency award for combining three forms into one. Of the 268 efficiency suggestions submitted by employees, about a third have already been put into effect.

## Bad cheques, tax dodging, spending, all on the rise

By SHLOMO MAOZ  
Post Economic Reporter

Israelis write more cheques without cover, continue to conceal income from the tax authorities, and have considerably bumped up their acquisition of consumer durables. All these inflationary symptoms were pointed up this week in a number of official reports.

In the Jerusalem area, taxmen claim, they have recently registered great success in tax collection, raking in IL130m. from some 1,000 tax-dodgers — i.e., some IL130,000 per offender.

The Jerusalem tax campaign, planned with particular care, was the work of the central division for tax enforcement and involved taxmen from all over the country.

Warning notices and personal visits from tax inspectors were the lot of defaulters owing income tax, value added tax or property tax. Hundreds rushed to pay their debts; but, nevertheless, Tuesday alone the tax authorities tracked down 140 in-transigent debtors, getting IL6m., and imposing liens on the property of 71, including, in one case, a lien on the delinquent's car.

The campaign was the first in

which there was a centralization of income tax and VAT collection. The State Revenues Administration said that the Jerusalem enforcement drive would continue next week.

Figures issued this week by the Bank of Israel show that in May the rate of defaulting on cheques, promissory notes and credit notes jumped to 6.2 per cent, the highest for at least two years. This too is an indication of the way in which inflation is making it difficult for both companies and individuals to cover their debts. In one example cited by the bank, 118 people failed to honour promissory notes of IL15,000 or more in May, a figure higher than any for the past two years.

But inflation is evidently not causing people to curtail their purchases; they are, in fact, buying more. The Central Bureau of Statistics reports that new car sales went up in the first four months of 1979 by 42 per cent as against the same period last year, to stand at 16,300. Other figures show that this trend is still continuing today.

Israelis also bought 66,250 new television sets in this period, up by 48 per cent. But there was a drop of 3 per cent in the number of washing machines sold — only 25,430.

## Discount workers continue sanctions

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The workers at the Discount Bank network are continuing their sanctions to press their demands for higher pay.

Yesterday the bank's headquarters in Tel Aviv were closed, and this morning the workers committee will decide which of the network's 170 branches will be closed down for one day.

Since the beginning of the week, the committee has been closing several branches almost each day. Fourteen were closed all day on Sunday, and another 14 all day on Monday.

"Tuesday we didn't close down any in order to give the management a chance to open serious negotiations," a spokesman for the committee said yesterday. "When management failed to set up a meeting, we decided to close down the headquarters yesterday. This morning at 7:30 we will decide how many, and which branches to close down for the day. The number may range from 10 to 20."

He noted that there has been almost no progress in reaching an agreement with the management.

## Oil crisis has not affected petrochemical industry so far

By MACABEE DEAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel's petrochemical industry has neither deteriorated nor improved due to the international oil crisis, a spokesman for the industry said here recently. "We are in the same boat as other Western countries with highly developed petrochemical industries, such as Japan, West Germany and France," he added.

At present, Israel imports about eight million tons of oil a year. (There are seven barrels in each ton.) "Of these eight million tons only five per cent, or 400,000 tons, are needed for the petrochemical industry, and of this amount about 150,000 tons can be used for other purposes after the petrochemical industry has extracted the materials it needs," he explained.

About two-thirds of all the oil the country imports is obtained through contracts which are renewed at three-month intervals. The remaining third is bought on the "spot" market, generally at higher prices.

"We are convinced that since we need only an initial 400,000 tons, the government will find ways and means of supplying this, even if there is a drop in the total amount imported for any reason whatsoever," the industry spokesman said. He added that the government has promised this, implying that to provide these 400,000 tons it would reduce the quantities reaching other users, such as cars on the road,

which use about 800,000 tons a year, or reducing the amount of electricity supplied for non-vital uses.

Moreover, it was said that the government would keep the price of oil reaching the petrochemical industries at a price competitive with that reaching other industries abroad. Otherwise, Israel's industry would be priced out of the world market.

The "added value" of petrochemical products, such as aromatics, PVC and polyethylene, was quite high. Since much of the products were sold abroad, these products brought in valuable foreign currency. Moreover, these products were constantly being upgraded, thus increasing foreign currency earnings.

If a ton of oil cost about \$120, the first step of upgrading brought the value up to \$220 a ton. Upgrading further "downstream" could increase the price up to \$400 a ton.

The final products, such as plastics for industry and household use, brought the final price up much higher.

While a plant refining oil into polyethylene must handle 130,000 tons a year to be economical, a small plant making plastics can be economical if it produces goods based on the use of 1,000 to 2,000 tons a year. Moreover, such plants could spring up, as they have done, in many widely scattered places, in kibbutzim, and even in the cities, it was said.

## Upgrading the TV set into a veritable encyclopedia

By MACABEE DEAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The ordinary TV set can become an encyclopedia of information, not only of past events, but of facts and figures happening the same day, according to Dr. Israel Berkovitch, of England.

He was commenting on the work now being done by the British Post Office, which was "booking up" a subscriber's request, a TV set to huge banks of facts. The customer only had to press a "keypad" which looks like a small calculator, to bring the information of the TV screen. The customer, however, has to make arrangements to have his TV set connected to an ordinary telephone line.

Dr. Berkovitch, who has visited Israel on several occasions, is working on the scientific programme for the project.

The system, in addition to scientific information on a wide range of subjects, also includes detailed information in many fields, such as: news and the weather, the daily TV and radio guide, sporting events and result, where to dine, what plays to

see, and where to go for a vacation. Jokes and games, jobs and careers, and, of course, the latest stock market reports and prices of commodities, are all available.

"The viewer only has to sit in his armchair and press the required figures on the 'keypad' to receive the information he wants," the scientist notes.

"Because of the limited amount of space on the TV screen, it takes immense ingenuity to choose the right words, and short ones at that. The aim is to present the required information so that it can be properly understood while being entirely accurate," he said.

So far, the entire project is only available to a selected number of persons and firms. If it is as successful as he hoped, however, any person with a TV set will be able to "get booked-up" at a nominal cost.

Dr. Berkovitch believes it will prove particularly useful for institutions such as hospitals, stock brokers, travel agents and many others who need accurate information at a second's notice.

## Bleak stock market record

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The first nine months of 1979 were money-losing for most persons who invested in the stock market, according to the Eddy Levy Computerized Index.

The index deflates the inflationary yield to the real one. It is based on a person buying a stock on January 1 and figuring out the yield if he would sell it now, with all dividends, bonus shares, etc. thrown in.

The deflated picture is much different from the inflationary one. For example, if this was done for one large bank the inflationary yield would be 39.42 per cent, while the

real yield would be a loss of 4.35 per cent of the investment.

Of the one hundred stocks listed in the index, 63 made considerable gains due to inflation. But if they are deflated, 68 stocks registered considerable losses. (Some lost in either category, whether deflated or not.)

Seven of the eight banks listed lost money according to the index. Seven out of seven of the mortgage banks lost money, five out of five of the financing firms, and all seven of the seven insurance companies listed.

The only real winners were the investment companies, where 12 out of the 21 companies made a real profit.

## On and off the boycott lists

DOHA (Reuters). — The Qatar Bureau for the Boycott of Israel said this week it had extended the ban on a British merchant bank, S.G. Warburg & Co. to its 17 subsidiaries in Britain, Switzerland and the U.S.

The latest blacklist included 16 firms and 24 subsidiaries of British, American, French, Greek, Swiss and Maltese nationalities. They had violated the rules of the Arab boycott of companies which do business with Israel, the bureau said.

It said three subsidiaries of the previously blacklisted General Telephone and Electronics (GTE) Corp. were now also banned. They were GTE Datacenter, GTE International and GTE Information. Rank Xerox (Ireland), and Silver and Fiber Blechley were also blacklisted under their new names.

Gervais Danone France S.A., a French dairy firm, Creation St. Clair, a Paris clothing firm, and Universal Genevieve (UK), a subsidiary of the banned U.S. firm Baker-Watson, were also blacklisted.

The bureau said it had lifted a ban on the Iranian Esco Co. and its Norwegian subsidiary, Bandar Abbas International, and two Iranian vessels, Shahriyar and Roxana, because they had pledged to abide by boycott rules.

A Singapore-based company, Manilal & Sons, and Walter Klidde & Co., of New Jersey, and its four subsidiaries in Britain and the U.S., were also removed from the blacklist.

A ban on Japan's Mitsubishi Kasei-Kogyo Chemical Industries and its six subsidiaries in Japan was also lifted.

## New medical methods and patents from America

By MACABEE DEAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A "LEG CLAMP" for X-ray examinations, which holds the leg in place during "stress knee arthrograms" and other X-ray procedures, is being offered by MTD, P.O.B. 760A, Andover, New Jersey, 07821.

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A CARDIOPULMONARY resuscitation unit, designed to be administered over long periods, provides a less tiring, more effective technique while preventing muscle cramps. Suggested for doctors, nurses, emergency rescue teams, lifeguards, etc. Write: Cardiac Concepts, 8016 Arlington Expressway, Jacksonville, Florida, 32211.

A DENTAL ENAMEL cleaver, which is used for rapid reduction of tooth structure before full crown restoration, has been developed by the Aurelia Dental Manufacturing Co., 208 Pennsylvania Ave., Yonkers, N.Y. 10707. Each cleaver has a series of diamond chipping rings which provide simultaneous grinding and axial vertical chipping.

A WATER MATTRESS which distributes body weight evenly over greater surface to reduce pressure claimed to be very useful for those suffering from bed sores. Write: Jefferson Industries, 236 Nassau Street, Princeton, New Jersey 08540.

A LOW-SPEED cordless drill, with a rechargeable battery, is available for jewellery and lapidary work, as well as for medical and veterinary uses. Write: Ardent, P.O.B. 190, Menomonie, Wisconsin, 54751.

A PORTABLE, battery-powered, unit which provides a fast and accurate reading of the heart rate is said to be useful for physicians, laboratories, exercise enthusiasts, sports teams, and for persons with heart conditions. No special medical knowledge is required to use it. Write: Standford Scientific Co., P.O.B. 7258, Menlo Park, California, 94025.

A FULLY AUTOMATIC, self-operated instrument for measuring blood pressure, both systolic and diastolic, and the pulse rate, is available for shopping centres, department stores, airports, health clinics, and hospitals. Computer-controlled, the unit provides a printed record of the data, monitors its own operation, and indicates potential component failures for

THE INVESTING public has created a new star — the shares of the First International Bank. These shares have risen 16 per cent since the beginning of August. The gain is even more impressive when compared with price gains of the shares of the country's major banks. The latter have risen by less than five per cent since the start of August.

## President Sadat visits Elscint plant

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN  
HAIFA. — President Anwar Sadat accompanied by his wife and members of the Egyptian delegation, made his first visit to an Israeli industrial enterprise yesterday afternoon. The company chosen for the visit was Elscint, the largest producer of medical equipment in the Middle East.

Two former chiefs of the Israel Air Force, Dan Felleman, managing director of Discount Bank Investment Corporation, and Benjamin Pined, president of Elbit, acted as hosts in addition to officials of Elscint.

President Sadat showed great interest in the nuclear imaging machinery which was demonstrated to him. He was assured by Dr. Avraham Subami, the director of Elscint, that the young woman used as part of the demonstration had not been injected with radioactive material, which is normally a part of the procedure.

THE ELGAR investment company announced that its board of directors has decided on the payment of an interim dividend of seven per cent on account of 1979 activities.

## CIA warns world oil supplies may run out sooner than expected

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — The world's oil supplies are running out and nations must act immediately if a smooth transition to alternative energy supplies is to be achieved, the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) said recently.

"Contrary to the view that became popular during the temporary surplus of oil in 1973-74, the world does not have years" to make the switch, the agency said.

The gloomy analysis was contained in a report by the CIA's National Foreign Assessment Centre.

It said that world production of oil probably will begin to decline in the

mid-1980s. But even before then, the oil-producing nations were expected to keep supplies tight.

Some countries with oil reserves that are large compared to their production are increasing production capacity slowly or not at all, the report said.

This reluctance to increase capacity reflects a desire on the part of many of the producing nations to stretch out their oil wealth for a longer time.

These nations also fear that huge inflows of oil money could have disruptive economic and social effects, it added.

The CIA said the number of nations that have imposed production constraints has grown markedly in the past several years. About 60 per cent of world reserves are controlled by these policies.

## Hotelier to enter charter business

By BARUCH SAVILLE  
Post Travel Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Hotelier Haim Shiff is planning to enter the charter plane business. "The only hope for our tourist industry is bigger and better charters," he told The Post.

He said that in cooperation with two charter operators he was finalizing plans now for a weekly flight by 747 planes from New York to Tel Aviv. At a later stage two additional flights from Los Angeles would be added.

"Hotels in my chain alone have 1,600 rooms to fill," he said, "and one way or another, we have to fill them. We do not need to raise room rates or cut out Israeli breakfasts," he added.

"If we get U.S. charters moving as they should, we can double our room occupancy averages. In fact," he said, "with 75 per cent occupancy rather than the present 50 per cent, we could even reduce room rates by 20 per cent."

"Tourism to Israel is a failure. There is no Tourism Minister who can make decisions and assure their implementation," Shiff charged.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF LESOTHO HELD AT MASERU  
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and  
ABRAHAM LOTAN, Respondent (Defendant)

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- (c) Custody of the minor child of the marriage;
- (d) Restitution of the benefits arising from the marriage;
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Bonds fluctuate only slightly in heavy trading

TEL AVIV. — Trading continued heavy on the stock market here in index-linked bonds...

Stocks & bonds — the market report

By ALAN ELSNER Jerusalem Post Reporter

Amongst mortgage banks, a slow day saw most rates either unchanged or subject to very small fluctuations in either direction.

Specialized financial institutions were mixed. A loser was Shilton 18 per cent debenture...

Heavy losses were recorded in insurance equities. The announcement of a IL33m. pre-tax profit did not help Securitas, all of whose options slumped...

Zar also took a beating, emerging 8.8 per cent lower on 220.

Hassneh (r) and (h) both lost 5.7 per cent. Hassneh (r) closing at 315 and Hassneh (h) at 217.

The trend was also in a downward direction in commercial services and utilities. Delek (r) fell by 4.8 per cent to 251...

A similar picture emerged in the land, building and development sector. Substantial losers were ILDC (r) and (b), 4.8 and 5.4 per cent down, respectively...

In industrials, the losers were more moderate and some shares even recorded slight gains. Argamon fell 8 per cent to 492.

In investment and holding companies, trading in Elern shares was suspended as the company announced a 7 per cent dividend to be paid on October 25.

Table of stock prices with columns for Closing price, Volume, and Change. Includes various companies like Neechushtan b, Ellic, and others.

Representative bond prices

Table of bond prices with columns for Price and Change. Includes 0.05% Defence loan, 70 (Ayin) Hehl, etc.

New York Stock Exchange

Closing prices - Sept. 5 Dow Jones Industrial Average: 866.12 down 6.48

Table of New York Stock Exchange closing prices for various stocks like Allied Chemical, ASA, etc.

Closing prices on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

Large table of closing prices on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange for September 5, 1979, listing various stocks and their prices.

Bank of Israel representative foreign exchange rates — Sept. 5

Table of foreign exchange rates for various currencies like U.S. dollar, British sterling, etc.

How U.S. economy may affect the price of gold — either way

NEW YORK (AP). — Gold prices are soaring again, and while experts won't speculate how long the boom will last...

London commodities

COCOA — Although cocoa has held above the July low at \$1,425, it is the weakest commodity at present. Only a move above \$1,575 would indicate a test of the next area of resistance...

Building and Sale of Stage A Prestige Cottage Neighbourhood NEVE MEIR, HERZLIYA

between Rehov Asher Barash and Rehov Schneur Zalman High standard construction THREE-LEVEL COTTAGES 5 and 6 rooms

Most active shares

Table of most active shares including Leumi, Hapoalim, and others.

Gold bars no holds

LONDON (AP). — Gold hullion rocketed to glittering new peaks on European markets yesterday while the U.S. dollar saw a sea-saw indecisive day.

FUND RATES

Table of fund rates for various funds like ADIF, ALON, ALMOG, etc.

Table of foreign currency exchange rates for various countries like U.S., Swiss, etc.

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PLATINUM — There is no sign that the platinum rally is over, but this weak commodity is not sufficiently strong to support a move above the previous highs at this time.

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beginns to moderate, interest in the dollar will build again, and investors will start switching their holdings from gold into the U.S. currency.

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Summit solutions

AS EXPECTED, Premier Begin and President Sadat hit it off nicely in Haifa yesterday, reaching agreement on a number of important issues...

A settlement of the oil dispute between Israel and Egypt was clearly in the offing even before Mr. Sadat's yacht sailed into Haifa port...

What Israel was asking for was 2 million tons annually, or the entire current output of the fields. Egypt, which is planning to reduce output, countered by offering to sell Israel only 1.5 million tons...

For his part, Mr. Begin agreed to return Mt. Sinai, and the Santa Katarina monastery, to Egypt before the November 25 date stipulated at Camp David...

In return President Sadat approved the Israeli request for advancing the date of the complete opening up of the frontier. This should allow Israelis to make early visits to areas ceded back to Egypt...

Another matter that was easily resolved - "within five to ten minutes," according to Mr. Sadat - was the issue of the disappearing UNEF, a victim of the threatened Soviet veto...

In other words, supervision in Sinai will be handled not by UNTSO but by Israel and Egypt, working jointly. This is in fact the solution which might prove beneficial in the long term as well...

On the other hand little progress seems to have been made on the autonomy. Thus Mr. Begin and Mr. Sadat agree to disagree on the participation of East Jerusalem Arabs in the elections...

Agreeing to disagree is a useful formula - up to a point. That point arises when decisions must be taken. And decisions on how to translate the Camp David "framework" into a full-bodied autonomy will have to be taken very soon...

This is because, even without any formal linkage, the fate of the autonomy, Mr. Begin's own invention, will have a direct bearing on the future of the peace between Egypt and Israel...

If the idea of the autonomy is sunk not because of PLO sabotage but due to differences between Egypt and Israel - then the great achievements of the past two years, manifested in the open camaraderie between "my friend Prime Minister Begin" and "my good friend President Sadat" may yet be endangered...

...and confusions

ONE MAN in this country who is very much concerned with the fate of the autonomy is without a doubt Foreign Minister Dayan.

Mr. Dayan resumed his activity in the ministerial committee on the autonomy last week, and immediately started a round of meetings with local Palestinian leaders - this, with the avowed aim of finding out what they think of the subject...

These two Arab physicians were recommended to Mr. Dayan by the Military Government to head the list (which has now apparently been closed, at least for a while) not because of the Foreign Minister's partiality for the medical profession...

Mr. Dayan claims he did not know that Dr. Natshe is a member (though only formally) of the PLO's Palestine National Council; which is rather odd. Perhaps he did not know, too, that the good doctor is also a leading West Bank communist...

But he surely must have known that both Dr. Natshe and Dr. Abdul-Shafi are not merely PLO sympathizers but PLO activists - and that they were deemed by the authorities worthy of deportation (Dr. Abdul-Shafi twice) for their terrorist connection...

All this may not be reason enough to ignore them in seeking to enlist local Palestinian support for the autonomy, or at least to discover whether such support might be forthcoming. But would it not be more logical to draw out - and back up - those leaders of Palestinian opinion, and there are such, who hate the PLO's guts but lack the guts themselves to stand up to it?

And if it is argued that these do not really matter, can the Americans be faulted for wondering why they should not be allowed on their own to sound the PLO out about its possible readiness to join the peace process, and never mind their 1975 pledge to Israel?

After all, the only reason Dr. Natshe and Dr. Abdul-Shafi are not actual PLO operatives (unlike Mr. Terzi, the PLO's man at the UN) is because they would not, if they were, be here, or in any case not in freedom.

Perhaps, unknown to the Government itself, its policy on the Palestinians, and the PLO, is undergoing a slow change.

True, Mr. Begin refused this week even to hear a report by a Rumanian envoy of President Ceausescu's meeting with Yasser Arafat. But yesterday, at his joint press conference with President Sadat, he spoke for the first time (even if unawares) in terms that recalled the Yariv-Schemtov PLO formula. This may conceivably have been due to Mr. Dayan.

It is arguable that this represents an inevitable change in the right direction, and that the alternative is a dead-end. But in the meantime there is much confusion.

The second in a series of articles examining the current state of Project Renewal

Promises, promises

"PROJECT RENEWAL is on the verge of total failure. It is being choked to death by bureaucracy. Unless the present decision-making structure is dismantled and replaced by something workable, the project will collapse, causing incalculable harm to the country."

So says Arsal Wein, director-general of the Ezra Uzbazron housing company owned by the Tel Aviv municipality, who has been charged with running the project in several Tel Aviv neighbourhoods including the notorious Hatikva Quarter.

Hatikva has become almost a "model" distressed neighbourhood. According to Wein, coach-loads of fundraisers are constantly touring the area, poking their noses into residents' houses, making them feel "as if they were animals in a zoo."

Under the Project Renewal system of pairing neighbourhoods with diaspora communities, Hatikva was twinned with New York, indicating its symbolic importance for Project Renewal.

With a population of 20,000 squeezed into its crowded alleys, Hatikva displays all the symptoms of "distress" - Israeli style: high crime rate, drugs, poor housing conditions, a low educational standard, a lack of welfare and youth facilities, dirt, decay and equalizer.

But, according to Wein, when the project was launched, exact information on the neighbourhood was almost non-existent. His first act, therefore, was to appoint a research team under Dr. Avi Degani of Tel Aviv University's geography department to study the neighbourhood.

Degani's report is to be published in October, after which the detailed plan for the neighbourhood's renewal will be formulated. In the meantime, a number of preliminary projects have been initiated.

"It was important to show the residents some results," says Wein. "Rich Americans have been visiting all the time and they and the residents expect action."

BUT THESE projects have all been frustrated by what Wein calls "a bureaucratic monster which would make Kafka sit up and take notice."

He explains that he was instructed to set up a local steering committee to include representatives of all the ministries and municipal departments involved plus some



By ALAN ELSNER

local residents. This committee is empowered to make recommendations to a higher committee in Jerusalem, chaired by Professors Shimshoni and Raphaeli. Decisions taken at a local level may be rejected by this higher committee, even though all the relevant bodies are represented at the local level.

But in fact, Wein says, the higher committee has made no decisions at all. It has simply ignored all the recommendations sent to it by the local steering committee.

At its last meeting, held on July 15, the steering committee passed a resolution condemning the inaction of the higher committee.

"I'm totally stuck," says Wein. "I can move neither forwards nor backwards. The residents here and the New York fundraisers are becoming steadily more sceptical and frustrated. We were better off without Project Renewal. Before, we were getting money from the municipality. Now we're not getting anything."

WEIN ALSO attacks the makeup of the steering committee as "unwisely and incapable of efficient action." The minutes of its last meeting show

an attendance of 29 persons. With Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat in the chair, there also attended: representatives of the Ministries of Health, Education, Housing, Social Affairs and the Deputy Prime Minister's Office; three from the Jewish Agency; two from Karen Hayesod; two from the municipal education and welfare departments; the mayor's assistant; a member of the Tel Aviv University project; two from Ezra Uzbazron and seven locals.

According to Avi Degani, the local representation is also a myth. "What you have there is lip service of the worst kind. Nobody really studied the situation to find out who the local leaders were. They received an instruction to include local people and took the first ones who came to hand - a self appointed group which does not represent the neighbourhood."

Degani sees local participation on a much wider scale as a condition for success. He recommends several groups being set up to discuss specific projects, teachers being involved in school projects, mothers in day-care projects and so on. "They would have a consultative role of the highest importance," he said.

In the meantime, Wein is trying to go ahead with money provided by the Housing Ministry and municipality, cutting out Project Renewal completely. He urges a massive devolution of authority with decision-making power being decentralized to the municipal level with the mayor - "the people's choice" - holding the reins. "Otherwise, this bureaucracy will strangle us for sure."

NEVE ISRAEL is a neighbourhood in Herzliya. There, according to Herzliya Mayor Yosef Nevo who chairs the steering committee, the project is relatively advanced.

A plan to rehabilitate the neighbourhood, financed by the Housing Ministry and municipality, got off the ground at the end of 1978, predating Project Renewal. So when Project Renewal was announced and Neve Israel twinned with Boston, work was already under way. But the last two years have seen, in Nevo's word, "almost no progress."

The plan for the neighbourhood's renewal was approved by the higher committee several months ago, Nevo explains. But then it transpired

Dry Bones



that the individual ministries involved and the Jewish Agency all wanted to approve the plan separately. "Until they do so, we will receive no money. So far, we've been waiting for months," Nevo says.

The Housing Ministry did approve a budget. On this basis, Nevo hired contractors and started work. "Then suddenly the ministry cut the budget. We are standing at the edge of a volcano here. If we stop work, as we are about to do through lack of funds, this will cause great disappointment and cynicism among the residents," Nevo says.

Another problem is the effect of this on the Boston community. Nevo himself launched last year's campaign which raised \$750,000 for Neve Israel in its first five days. But none of the money has reached the neighbourhood, even though the plans are ready and have been approved. "The money is all marled up in the bureaucracy," Nevo complains.

One project was for a community centre. Boston UJA leaders wanted the cornerstone to be laid during the Prime Minister's Mission, so they could point to at least one achievement. But Nevo refused on the basis that the budget had not been approved. "I can't lay a cornerstone and then not build for months on end. What would the residents think of me?" he said.

IT TRANSPIRES that the community centre has to be approved again by the higher committee, even though this same committee has already approved it once as a part of the general plan for the neighbourhood.

Nevo, like Wein, calls for decentralization of power with more authority coming down to the local level. Alternatively, he would have mayors sit on the higher committee to give it a push, since they were "elected by the residents, live with them and are dependent on them."

Degani also calls for a change in the structure, giving more scope to professionals, in consultation with the fundraisers and the residents. "We have to find a structure that will work instead of a political compromise," he said. "In renewal, it is not enough to do one's best. One must also succeed."

READERS' LETTERS

HOUSING AND THE JNF

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, - It is regrettable that Joan Borstein began her series on housing in Jerusalem with an unwarranted attack on the Jewish National Fund for the rental of an apartment by its subsidiary, Hemmutah Ltd. If the story had been checked with us first, we would have been able to correct the many inaccuracies that were printed.

The rental of apartments, whether to new immigrants or others, is not one of the corporate purposes of JNF. If, occasionally, JNF or one of its subsidiaries receives property, then it must manage it in accordance with prevailing market conditions and in conformity with regulations and contractual provisions, using the income received to do the work with which it is charged, such as developing lands in the Negev, the Arava and the Galilee. Indeed, were JNF to act differently, it would then be at fault.

Concerning the apartment in question, JNF devoted considerable time and effort to accommodate Mr. Bacharach in view of his self-declared status as a new immigrant from the United States, about to be married. If, as he reports, he misled us in regard to his marriage, this can only cast doubt on other statements

and the made that were printed in your article. Mr. Bacharach had sufficient means to offer to purchase the apartment from JNF and, in the end, agreed rather to rent it for a year. This rental was paid in advance at his own request instead of resorting to the more common arrangement of linking monthly payments to the dollar or to the cost-of-living index.

Finally, it is noteworthy that the rent charged for this apartment is rather low within the context of the present housing market.

MOISHE COHEN Spokesman's Office Jewish National Fund Jerusalem.

Joan Borstein comments: Perhaps it is wrong to believe that the JNF should set an example to other landlords and not give its blessing to their greedy demands. But the more Jerusalem landlords ask a year's rent in advance, link the rent, and overcharge, the more Israelis and olim will not have homes of their own and will leave the city and the country. If the JNF is selling the flat next year, why didn't they sell it now to Bacharach? Why didn't they answer his letters? Why all the bureaucracy?

ASBESTOS DANGER

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, - I recently returned to my home after a visit to the United States. While there, I saw several news reports about a general recall of hairdryers because the asbestos used in the heating elements causes cancer.

I am concerned about this news since I and many other Israeli housewives use asbestos shavers as an aid in slow cooking. Naturally, I am reluctant to use the shaver after learning that asbestos is a carcinogen.

Could you please enlighten me as to the danger or lack of danger in these shavers?

HERIZIYA, MARIANA HARARI

The Ministry of Health replies: Cancer only threatens people who spend long periods in asbestos dust, such as workers in the asbestos industry. Asbestos is not considered carcinogenic when it is used in finished products and in a manner which does not involve its disintegration.

BUS FARES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, - The decision of the Ministry of Transport to raise urban bus fares to ILS.20 is being opposed by the bus companies. The reason is that this amount would result in loss of time to make change for passengers and would entail a loss of 1.5 million working hours. They suggest that the fare should be increased to ILS.30.

By this same reasoning why don't the bus companies agree to an even ILS.30 fare, which would be even easier?

WILLIAM BRAITERMAN Hadera.



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MENTAL DEFICIENCY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, - A toast to your "Today" editor for the well-done section on health foods, stressing the benefits of simple, unprocessed foods.

Our Government could demonstrate its concern for the health of its citizens by the simple step of bringing the price of whole-wheat bread in line with the price of those limp and feeble loaves that most people have come to rely upon for a substantial part of their sustenance. The absurd position today is that whole-wheat bread costs about four times as much.

YACOV GRANOT Jerusalem.

A. SAENGER Jerusalem.

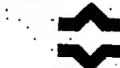
UNINFORMED

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, - The German Ambassador to Beirut, Mr. Horst Schmidt Dornieden, is reported by A.P. from Beirut to have told the Lebanese weekly, "Monday Morning," that "we are of the opinion that Israel has to recognize the legitimate rights of the Palestinians" (August 27).

Mr. Dornieden should have done his homework and read the Camp David Agreement, where it is stated, in chapter I, article C, paragraph 4, that Israel does precisely that - recognizes "the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people and their just requirements."

GIDSON WEIGERT Jerusalem.

G.M. VAN DE REE Rijnhuizen, Holland.



Kupat Holim

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announces that, effective 1 p.m. on Friday, September 7, all telephone numbers at the hospital will be changed.

From that time, the telephone number of the medical centre will be

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POSTSCRIPTS

AN INTERNATIONAL team of physicists has found "strong" evidence of a new particle, the gluon, that holds together the centres of atoms like glue, AP reports.

Scientists at a physics symposium at the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory in Batavia, Illinois, presented the first direct evidence for the elusive gluon particle, which was first predicted by theory about a decade ago.

Dr. Leon Lederman, director of the laboratory, said the finding gives key support to the current theory of the internal structure of neutrons, protons and other bits of matter once thought to be indivisible.

"Physicists are ecstatic," Lederman said. "We're beginning to understand how it's all put together." The experiments that uncovered

the gluon were conducted this summer by more than 300 physicists from Israel, Germany, Japan, the U.S., England, Norway, France and China. They were working at a new nuclear accelerator in Hamburg.

THE HISTADRUT recently organized short seminars in India and Sri Lanka despite the absence of diplomatic relations with the two Asian countries.

Some 80 people attended the two-week seminars there, and another in Singapore, on ways to organize teenage workers and how to deal with youngsters who do not work or study.

The courses were conducted by Avi Ofek who heads Hanour Haoved Vehlalom's department for vocational schools.